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WILL CANTON BE ATTACKED?

MUCH FIGHTING LIKELY OUTSIDE CITY.

REPORTED BOMBARDMENT OF THE WHAMPOA FORTS.

LABOUR UNIONS CONFER.

The latest news from Canton to-day is that although conditions in the City are becoming almost normal, with shops on the Bund re-opening for business, there is strong likelihood of serious fighting taking place in the country around, especially in the neighbourhood of Whampoa and Bocca Tigris where the forts are held by the anti-Reds.

One report received this morning is to the effect that last evening the Whampoa forts were being attacked by the "Ironsides," and that rifle and machine gun fire, together with the sound of heavier armament, could be heard.

The political situation is becoming clarified, at least in the opinion of those who dare prognosticate on such a matter. The new line-up is said to be Chiang Kai-shek, Wang Ching-wei, Chang Fat-kwai and Tang Seng-chi as the leaders of the "Left" on the one side, with Generals Pei Chung-hsi, Li Chung-yen, Li Chai-sum and the Nanking "Western Hills" politicians on the other. The early return of Chiang Kai-shek to Canton is prophesied.

THE NEW POLITICAL ALIGNMENT.

With the arrival of the boats from Canton last night it was definitely ascertained that the "Ironside" troops of General Chang Fat-kwai were in complete charge of the City, and that no further fighting within the precincts of the city is, for the present likely. Shops along the bund are re-opening.

A naval message confirms the fact that there has been no repetition of the firing and that the so-called "Reds" have gained complete control.

Where is Wang?

The whereabouts of General Wang Chao-hung (Li Chai-sum's subordinate against whom the *coup* was effected) are not definitely known, one report stating that he has escaped to Hongkong and another stating that he is with his troops on the North River. When Wang's house was raided early on Thursday morning, his wife, who disguised herself as a servant, was among those who succeeded in escaping. Six Kwangsi men, believed to be officers of General Wang Chao-hung, were among those who arrived in Hongkong by the Canton boat and they stayed at the Great Eastern Hotel yesterday, leaving later for Wuchow which has for some time past been the centre of the Kwangsi forces. Whether General Wang Chao-hung himself has gone there is doubtful.

It is known that among those who have made a hurried exit from Canton are Messrs. Chang Nan-hsen and Feng Cho-min, two of the most prominent political followers of General Li Chai-sum. Feng was, up till the *coup*, acting as Director of the Military Department and a new man has already been appointed in his place, this being Mr. Chu Hui-yat, who was formerly Chief of Police.

Counter-Attack Likely.

Although the forces of General Chang Fat-kwai occupy the city, the anti-Reds are in control of the three railways and also the Whampoa and Bocca Tigris forts. The Canton-Shamshui line is not running, and there is only a limited and fore-shortened service on the Canton-Suikwan line. The Canton-Kowloon Railway is apparently running fairly well to schedule. There are general fears that Li Chai-sum's men, who are said to be numerically superior to their opponents, will attempt to re-take the City within a few days, and that fighting has already broken out in the vicinity of the Whampoa forts. The master of a river steamer reports that as he was passing Whampoa at six o'clock last night, the forts were being heavily bombarded, the attacking forces being then close up to the outer defences. Much of the firing was from rifles and machine guns, but heavier armament was being used on both sides.

Labourites Meet.

On Thursday afternoon Tse Ying-pak, the Commissioner of Labour Affairs, a noted "Leftist," called a meeting of the representatives of the Revolutionary Association, Mechanic's General Association, Seamen's General Union, Kwangtung Labourers' Association and representatives of the labourers working on the Canton-Kowloon, Canton-Hankow (Kwangtung Section) Canton-Samshui railways, announcing to the labourers that the "Leftists" Government now give the reward of $10,000 for the arrest of Wang Shao-hung, calling the attention of the labourers working on railways and steamers to keep a sharp look out for Wang Shao-hung whom the Canton Government believed to be still at Canton.

Proceeding, the Labour Commissioner declared that this coup is organised for the sole purpose of driving away the Kwangsi-ites because of the latter's "Bigger Kwangsi" movement. In other words the coup at Canton on Thursday is a "Canton for the Cantonese" *movement*. Since General Li Fuk-lam is a Cantonese probably it was because of this that he joined the "Leftists" so suddenly."

It is reported that certain students of the Sun Yat-sen University have been arrested for being "moderates" and that when the Ironsides were making their *coup* Labour organisations and radicals were actively supporting them.

Political Issues.

There is, of course, much speculation regarding the larger political outcome of the *coup* and the opinion is gaining ground that the split of the Kuomintang is now shaping itself definitely by the formation of two opposing cliques. Gossip associates the Nanking party (the military leaders of which are General Pei Chung-hsi and Li Chung-yen) with Li Chai-sum and says that these men, together with the group of politicians known as the "Western Hills faction" will be consolidated into the Right wing. On the other side are ranged Chiang Kai-shek, Wang Ching-wei and Chang Fat-kwai with the possibility of Tang Seng-chi (the late Hankow commander who is now in Japan) joining in. It is further hazarded that all these personages will shortly return to Canton which will become the headquarters of the Left wing.

BRITISH PROTEST AT HANKOW.

CHINESE TROOPS INVADE THE CONCESSION.

YANGTSZE BANDITS SHOT.

Hankow, Nov. 18.

Thousands of Nanking troops are now in the city, and they have begun to invade the buildings in the ex-British Concession for use as billets. The British Consul-General has protested to the Commissioner for Foreign Affairs, insisting upon the withdrawal of the Chinese troops from the area.

It is reliably stated that the 6th, 7th, 10th, 19th, and 44th Nanking Armies are now in or around Hankow, while General Yang Sen is directing the movements of the 2nd and 20th Armies down river towards Shasi.

The retreating Wuhan forces (8th, 35th and 36th Armies) are retiring in the direction of Changsha and into West Hunan, causing distress among the villagers on the way. General Ho Chien, Tang Seng-chi's successor for a short time, is now at Changteh.—*Naval Wireless.*

ICHANG BANDITS.

Several Executed Yesterday.

Ichang, Nov. 18.

Measures against bandits are still being taken in the Ichang region by the Military Commander. Over one hundred and fifty were rounded up by a detachment of troops yesterday, and small quantities of arms and ammunition were found on them.

A number of them were summarily executed to-day.

The reported intention of General Yang Sen to visit Ichang still persists as a rumour.—*Naval Wireless.*

GEN. TANG SENG-CHI.

Arrival in Japan.

Osaka, Nov. 18.

Tang Seng-chi arrived at Kagoshima late last night aboard the Mitsuki Maru. In a press interview General Tang said he would return to China after a sojourn in Nagasaki, Beppu, Kyoto and Tokyo.

It appears that General Tang cherishes the hope of leading the national revolutionary movement and hinted at the possibility of co-operation with Chiang Kai-shek.—*Reuter.*

NAVAL MOVEMENTS.

H.M.S. Cornflower Coming.

London, Nov. 18.

H. M. S. Cornflower, at present under repair at Sheerness, is to leave for China on December 28, to relieve H.M.S. Hollyhock.—*Reuter.*

STERN BATTLE.

Conflicting Claims.

Shanghai, Nov. 18.

While Nanking messages stated that Feng Yu-hsiang claims to have captured Tsinin, Peking messages state that the Chihli-Shantung forces are reported to have carried out an enveloping movement at Kweiteh as a result of which they have established themselves on Lunghai, to the west of Kweiteh, cutting off the Kuominchun garrison there.

Another body of Chihli-Shantung troops officially claim to have captured 2,500 Kuominchun soldiers at Kaocheng to the north east of Kaifeng.—*Reuter.*

U.S. FINANCIERS AND THE FAR EAST.

A WASHINGTON CONFERENCE.

Washington, Nov. 18.

A conference, believed to be concerned with impending financial transactions in the Far East, has been held by Mr. Lamont, a partner in Morgan's banking house, who has just returned from Japan, and Mr. Mitchell, president of the National City Bank of New York, with Mr. Kellogg, the Secretary of State, Mr. Olds, the Assistant Secretary, and Mr. Johnson, the chief of the Far Eastern division of the State Department.

Officials are most reticent concerning the proceedings.—*Reuter's American Service.*

INTERPORT OPENS.

SHANGHAI GOES IN TO BAT.

FINCHER REPLACES HUNT.

Dull weather, overcast and threatening rain, the first sign of change in an unbroken spell of several weeks, was Nature's contrary greeting to the opening match of the triangular Interport contest, between Hongkong and Shanghai this morning. The unpromising weather, however, did not deter the enthusiasm associated with the port rivalry, and there was a large assembly when Capt. E. I. M. Barrett and Mr. T. E. Pearce, the respective captains, tossed up for choice of wicket.

The match is the twenty-seventh of the series between Hongkong and Shanghai, and one being drawn, Hongkong have hitherto placed thirteen victories to their credit against Shanghai's twelve. Shanghai are very keen, and confident in their prospects of getting on level terms.

The teams were:

Shanghai: Capt. E. I. M. Barrett (Captain), H. W. Allison, E. G. Barnes, J. T. Hegarty, J. A. Isaacs, D. W. Leach, P. Madar, C. E. Ollerdessen, J. A. Quayle, T. L. Rawsthorne and L. F. Stokes.

Hongkong: T. E. Pearce (Capt.), W. Brace, Lieut. T. H. Dale, R.N., Capt. A. G. Dobbie, F. Goodwin, Lieut J. B. A. Hankey, A. W. Hayward, E. C. Fincher, A. W. Ramsey, G. R. Sayer and C. D. Wales.

Shanghai's Useful Team.

While the team is not the strongest Shanghai can turn out, says the *Shanghai Times*, commenting on the Interport eleven prior to its departure for Hongkong, it nevertheless one which should be worthy of the name of a properly representative side. Captain Barrett skippered the Shanghai team to a sensational victory in the last interport match in Hongkong, and he takes with him E. G. Barnes and J. A. Isaacs, whose last wicket stand pulled the match out of the fire.

Captain Barrett himself is one of the best batsmen in the Far East. In J. A. Quayle he has a batsman with lots of experience in representative cricket in the East, and one who should be difficult to get out when he gets into his stride. As all rounders he has Leach, sound bat and excellent bowler, Stokes, Pat Madar, and Hegarty. Barnes will officiate behind the wickets, and Isaacs, Ollerdessen, Allison, and Rawsthorne should bear the brunt of the bowling, assisted by Leach.

THE PLAY OPENS.

Shanghai Goes to Bat.

At the last moment, E.C. Fincher came into the Hongkong side in place of Lieut. K. Hunt, one of the Colony's strongest and most reliable bats, who it was found had not sufficiently recovered from his recent indisposition.

Shanghai won the toss, and Capt. Barrett elected to take first knock sending in D. W. Leach and P. Madar as his opening pair.

Madar took the first over from Dobbie on a hard wicket which was playing very fast and looked liable to break up fairly quickly.

Eight runs accrued to Shanghai in the first over from byes, the Hongkong captain being twice beaten by the speed of the ball. Madar singled to cover.

C. D. Wales took the ball at the Supreme Court end and bowled a maiden, and Dobbie's next over also produced no addition to the score.

Wales bowled the fourth maiden in six overs, the first ten runs taking fifteen minutes and eight of those being byes.

Dobbie was making the ball kick, but even Wales' slow left-handers did not attract the Shanghai pair, a tribute to the excellent length he was keeping.

A wonderfully smart piece of fielding by Sayer almost cost Madar his wicket, a very quick return giving him barely time to regain his crease. Sayer also saved a certain boundary when Leach endeavoured to send Hankey's first ball to the ropes.

Two Men Caught.

The first four of the day resulted from a rather lucky cut by Leach off Dobbie 25 minutes after the commencement, but in the next over Leach, who was displaying a trifle more enterprise, drove Hankey beautifully to the Pavilion boundary sending up 20. Incidentally the score had taken nearly half an hour.

Madar was caught behind the wicket at 11 o'clock off Dobbie's bowling. He had never faced the bowling with any confidence, and had scored only one run, the total was then 28.

Quayle was sent back without scoring, being brilliantly caught at first slip by Lieut. Dale. The score-board read 27 for 2.

BRITISH FLIGHT TO INDIA.

CAPT. MCINTOSH REPORTED FROM POLAND.

DOUBTS STILL PREVAIL.

Warsaw, Nov. 18.

It is reported that Captain McIntosh and Mr. Bert Hinkler landed at 2.30 on the afternoon of November 16 at Bialokrynica, in South Poland, and later proceeded to India.

The local authorities assisted the airmen, who resumed their flight the same day.—*Reuter.*

Absence of News.

London, Nov. 18.

The airman, Capt. McIntosh and Mr. Bert Hinkler, who were attempting a non-stop flight to India, are reported in Press telegrams from Warsaw to have landed at Bialokrynica, in the district of Podhajce, in Southern Poland.

It is stated that the airmen were afforded assistance by the local authorities and that they have resumed their flight. It would appear, however, from these reports that the landing at Bialokrynica took place on Wednesday afternoon.

No further news of McIntosh and Hinkler has been received from any quarter. Anxiety, therefore, still prevails, especially as no authentic confirmation is available that the airmen who landed in Poland were actually McIntosh and Hinkler.—*British Wireless.*

FORMER PEER'S FLIGHT.

NEW RECORD TO BE ATTEMPTED.

London, Nov. 18.

Mr. Carberry, by which name Lord Carbery chooses to be known since he renounced his title to the peerage, left Croydon Aerodrome to-day in a Fokker monoplane accompanied by a mechanic, on a flight to Capetown. He hopes to accomplish the journey in record time, estimating that he will reach Cairo in four days and Capetown in a week. His first halt will be at Lyons.

His departure was made without any preliminary announcement and only a few people saw him off. From Capetown, Mr. Carberry will fly to Kenya, where he has an estate and where he already has two other aeroplanes which he uses for transport and survey work. One of these is flown by his wife.—*British Wireless.*

FLIGHT TO HONGKONG.

THE PRIZE MONEY DOUBLED.

Washington, Nov. 14.

The prize offered by W. E. Easterwood, a Dallas business man, for a flight from Dallas to Hongkong was raised to-day from $25,000 to $50,000.

The increase was announced after a call at the White House, although it was not stated that the call had anything to do with boosting the prize.

THE WEEK-END WEATHER.

According to this morning's report of the Royal Observatory, the weather up till noon to-morrow will be: "East winds, moderate; cloudy."

Bulls and Inners

From the Office Butts.

Hinkler having a Mackintosh with him should weather the flight to India.

Taipo Urban Council has taken note of the fact that the bridge having been opened, the road has been dug up again to lay the water main to Taipo. Crime in the district is otherwise normal.

The real bar is a bar to the reel.

Now the Rifle League is again functioning, there should be more competition in bulls and inners.

Officially our winter commenced on November 16, but the Observatory still takes no notice.

It is appropriate that the escape of prisoners and the beginning of winter coincided. Policemen are uniformly blue.

When dinner is being served we wish the mooring lighter would lay a few more boys in the harbour.

Mona might be a good Channel swimmer but we'd hate to have her for our doctor.

Kowloon is beginning again to suffer from expandemonium.

Trade is commencing to flourish again. So is the taipan's signature.

This week's Howler: A parasite is a native of Paris.

What with forward remarks by the backs and backchat from the forwards, some of our football referees have a hard time of it.

A brain specialist says that men of great mental power go on working whilst fast asleep. Even this doesn't explain the work done in some Government Departments.

Hey, move up. How would *you* like to work in our Supreme Court and an Interport going on outside?

Nicaragua looks like a poker game in which Calles has the last call on Cal.

Appropriately enough, local radio sets on Armistice Night observed a complete silence.

Another stray bat from the belfry:—"Do Theosophists believe in the renewal of rubber soles?"

Father says "The Magician" has nothing on him when it comes to paying the bills after Christmas.

Life story of Miss Ruth Elder: "Lipstick and Joystick."

Shanghai cabarets in future must close at 3 a.m. If a man isn't robbed by that time he doesn't deserve to be.

According to the *Daily Press*—"An unofficial world's speech record of 322.6 miles per hour . . . . was claimed to-day by Lieut. Alford J. Williams of the U. S. Navy." This sounds like a subtle challenge to our own "silent" Navy.

Local Newspaper Poster: "Canton Sqeeze." The City of Rams appears to have lost a ewe.

To-morrow at the Queen's: "The Waning Sex." MacWhirter agrees that they mostly all look like weans these days.

They've started community-singing at the Gaol. The most popular item so far is "Will Ye No' Come Back Again?"

Now that bandits and pirates have been shelled, we may at last get to the kernel of the matter.

"Only those who have proved an active element in natural life will be allowed to vote on the Fascist Council" says *Reuter*. What about the flea?

Apparently the Canton Ironsides appreciate a little tin—on the side.

The rubber soles which were stolen during the week found their way to the dining table yesterday.

Although you may go Home across America, it will be *via* Sigh-beer-in.

"Newcomer:" This year there will be no Haggis dressing competition in connection with the forthcoming celebration of St. Andrew's Day.

To-day's simile: "—as tenderly as a young man looking at his first motor bike."

"What Price Glory?" 9.15 performance as usual.

A Reading husband kicked his wife 22 feet, or from the bedroom to the kitchen. They have since rented a smaller apartment.

One reason, perhaps, why there are so many more divorces in Shanghai is that they marry oftener there.

Hongkong Watchmen's Anthem: "For Thee a Loan."

The ham sandwiches at last Practice Dance were somewhat thicker than usual. In certain quarters this is regarded as a sign of a hard winter.

Dr. Fah Tumye has been appointed Minister of Internal Affairs by the Nanking Government.

A stray bat from the belfry: "How is it possible for a single man with a double chin to have a treble voice?"

"Enquirer:" Lorries are large birds which lap liquid like a cat. They also make a considerable amount of noise when you are asleep, especially on Sunday afternoons.

A style expert is a person who gets women to pay more for fewer clothes.

The reference, in a contemporary, to the driver of a hire car "pecking up passengers," was probably an allusion to the man's bill.

A local musician was robbed of a watch this week. He is now thinking of some other means of passing away his time.

A newspaper heading we never hope to read: "Prisoner Pleads Ignorance. Educated at Harrow."

Continuing to advertise for a golfing and dance partner, that gentleman must be feeling mashie.

This newly-formed ring of sugar producers' looks like another form of quoting.

News item: "Accused was charged with buying an evening paper in the street and persistently reading it. The Police were complimented on their vigilance."

A girl we know will never be a good bridge player. She hates to return diamonds.

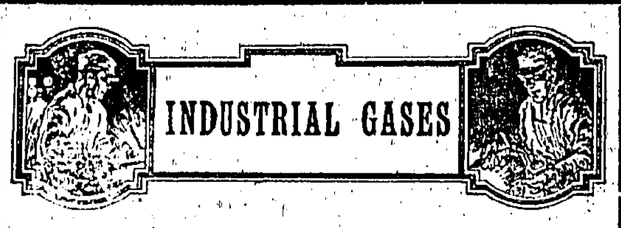
This international sugar combine is a striking idea. You can't beet it.

Poppy Day Sales figures were extremely creditable, we read. Accentuated a little, of course, by those modish frocks.

Merchant vessels have been fired upon from Spit Hill on the Yangtse. The crews now expect to rate as heroes.

The Director of our Observatory has so far recovered from his accident as to hope at an early date to give a lecture on "Some Recently-Discovered Stars."

Dougal: "Whit about drinkin' ma health, Sandy?
Sandy: "Well, here's wishing your eyesight won't get any worse!"



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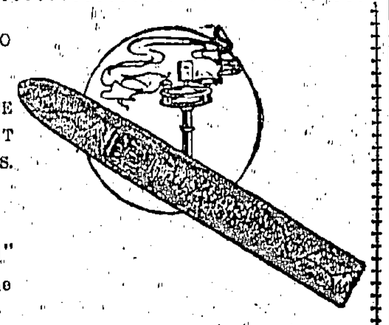

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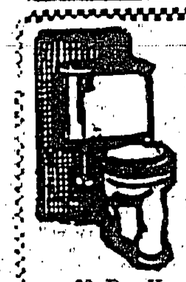

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ROULETTE GAME.

SEQUEL TO RECENT POLICE RAID.

Of thirty-five people arrested during a police raid on No. 254 Des Voeux Road Central on November 6, on information reaching the authorities that a game of roulette was in progress, only fifteen appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindsell yesterday afternoon to face the charge of playing roulette, the others preferring to jump their bail.

Of this number four persons were charged with keeping a gaming house.

The prosecution was conducted by Sergeant Carey, and the defence was in the hands of Mr. D. McCallum, who represented all the defendants.

Giving evidence a Chinese detective who was a member of the raiding party described in detail the various bets which he saw staked by the defendants. Asked by the Magistrate how he gained admittance, he said that he gave the name of Ah Ho, and was admitted without question.

Mr. McCallum put several of his clients in the box to show that the premises were used as a club by merchants who had businesses in California. All Chinese returning from America used the premises as their rendezvous.

Mr. McCallum contended that although roulette was being played, the men in the premises were not really gambling as no commission was being charged. They were playing for a little spread in West Point.

His Worship discharged four of the fifteen prisoners and inflicted fines of $5 on nine of the others. The remaining two who appeared to be in charge of the premises were fined $25 and $50 respectively.

The Magistrate mentioned in the course of the case that he observed the names of several hawkers, brokers, fitters, and a printer amongst those who were absent and he was satisfied that some form of gambling must have been going on.

APPEAL GRANTED.

MEXICAN GOVERNMENT TO BE RESTRAINED.

Mexico City, Nov. 18.

The Supreme Court has unanimously granted the appeal of the Mexican Petroleum Company, which is American, to restrain the Department of Industry and Commerce from cancelling certain drilling permits belonging to the company.

This is the first case involving the new petroleum law.

New York, Nov. 18.

Mr. Guy Stevens speaking on behalf of the American Petroleum companies which have been fighting the new Mexican petroleum law, declared that the above decision justified completely the attitude adopted by most foreign companies in Mexico toward the new law.—*Reuter's American Service.*

BANDIT OUTRAGE.

ATTACK TRAIN AND KILL NINETEEN.

Mexico City, Nov. 18.

A large band of bandits attacked a passenger train between Patmira and Aguas Calientes. A battle ensued in which the commanding officer and eighteen soldiers were killed and three soldiers and six passengers wounded, including one woman and two children. The engine driver and fireman were executed. The train later reached Aguas Calientes carrying the wounded.—*Reuter's American Service.*

JAPANESE MISSION.

CHINA TRAVELLERS ARRIVE IN HONGKONG.

For the purpose of developing Japan's foreign trade abroad and at the same time to come into closer friendly touch with all countries in the world, Japan last year sent groups of commercial travellers to all parts of the world carrying with them samples of manufactured goods. The travellers returned to Japan with the most satisfactory results and this year five other groups are going to different parts of the world.

They will visit the South Seas region and China, India and Eastern Africa, Egypt and the Balkans, Central America and South America. The travellers for China left on November 10, arriving in Hongkong yesterday.

They will proceed to Canton tomorrow where a sample fair will be held. After a stay on ten days they will return to Hongkong on November 30, and leave four days later for Haiphong. Their next call here will be on April 24 next year en route to Manila and Kobe.

In connexion with the despatch of the groups the *Osaka Mainichi* is publishing special supplements giving details of the commercial mission and articles regarding Japanese manufactures.

MURDER RE-CALLED.

LOCAL ESTATE OF INDIAN OFFICER.

Jemadar Gurmukh Singh, an officer of the Indian Army Supply Transport, who was found murdered in his bed at Whitfield Camp Barracks in the early morning of June 25 this year, left estate in Hongkong to the value of $1,300. Letters of Administration have been granted to Mr. H. A. Nisbet, the official administration.

It will be re-called that the unfortunate officer was sleeping on the verandah of the officers' quarters at Whitfield Camp Barracks, Kowloon, and when an orderly entered the room in the early morning of June 25, he discovered that Gurmukh Singh was dead, with wounds in the head.

The finding of a bullet gave rise to the opinion that he had been shot, but there was also evidence of his having been attacked with some other instrument.

The circumstances surrounding his death were never discovered, and the assailant is still at large.

THE PIRACY EVIL.

DISCUSSED WITH SIR CECIL CLEMENTI IN PEKING.

Peking, Nov. 18.

Sir Cecil Clementi has discussed the question of piracy in South China waters with the British, Japanese, French and Italian Ministers and the American Charge d'Affaires in two conferences on Wednesday. It is understood that an agreement regarding suppressive measures has been reached and that the Ministers have referred the proposals to their home governments.—*Reuter.*

FLIGHT TO CAPE TOWN.

ANOTHER ATTEMPT TO BREAK THE RECORD.

London, Nov. 18.

Mr. John Carbery, the Irish peer who dropped his title on becoming an American citizen, left Croydon accompanied by a mechanic in an attempted flight to Cape Town in record time, flying a fokker monoplane.—*Reuter.*

THE WING ON CASE.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S NOLLE PROSEQUI.

Messrs. Lo and Lo write, in reference to the case Rex v. F. Chan: Having regard to the publicity given in the Press to the Magisterial proceedings which terminated in the committal of the defendant for trial at the Sessions, we are instructed to inform you that we have been notified by the Crown Solicitor that the Hon. the Attorney General proposes to file a *nolle prosequi*, which of course has the effect of putting an end to the prosecution.

BRITISH FIRM'S GOLD CONCESSION.

2,800 ACRES IN AMUR RIVER DISTRICT.

British and Norwegian interests are, it is reported, concerned in a big goldfield concession granted by the Soviet Government, says an Oslo message.

The concession, which is for 24 years, comprises 12 gold-bearing districts in the Amur River area near the Manchurian border and covers 2,800 acres.

A Norwegian firm involved states that a British company engaged in gold washing operations in the neighbourhood has offered to participate in the financing of the undertaking and may possibly be more intimately involved in its management.

The gold districts concerned were acquired by Norwegians in 1915 from Chinese holders, but were nationalised during the Russian revolution. Negotiations for the reversion have been going on ever since.

NEW CRUISERS.

BRITAIN'S DECISION NOT WELL RECEIVED.

London, Nov. 18.

The Chairman and Secretary of the Navy League write to the *Times* on the Government's decision not to proceed with the laying down of two cruisers voted by Parliament. They claim that it will cause grave concern to all patriotic citizens, especially in the Dominions, and are of the opinion that it will result in a hurried emergency building programme in the future, when the country suddenly realises its danger.—*Reuter.*

Washington, Nov. 18.

Britain's decision to lay down only one cruiser will not produce any modification of the United States programme for cruiser building but will strengthen President Coolidge in the inevitable struggle with the big navy group in Congress and the Administration.—*Reuter's American Service.*

RICH AMERICA.

HOW THE PUBLIC'S MONEY IS BEING SPENT.

Philadelphia, Nov. 18.

President Coolidge was the guest of honour at the Founder's Day dinner of the Union League founded during the civil war to promote pro-Lincoln policies. He warned the country against the dangers of prosperity and said the doctrine of ease was the doctrine of surrender and decay. He reviewed the nation's progress, justified the protective tariffs and urged reasonable taxation to reduce the national debt of $18,000,000,000, but said the financial situation was so good that they could consider development of public works, including flood control and could "round out" the Navy with more submarines and cruisers and encourage especially commercial aviation.

President Coolidge referred very shortly to foreign affairs and said the United States was more than ever concerned with the foreign affairs of other nations.—*Reuter's American Service.*

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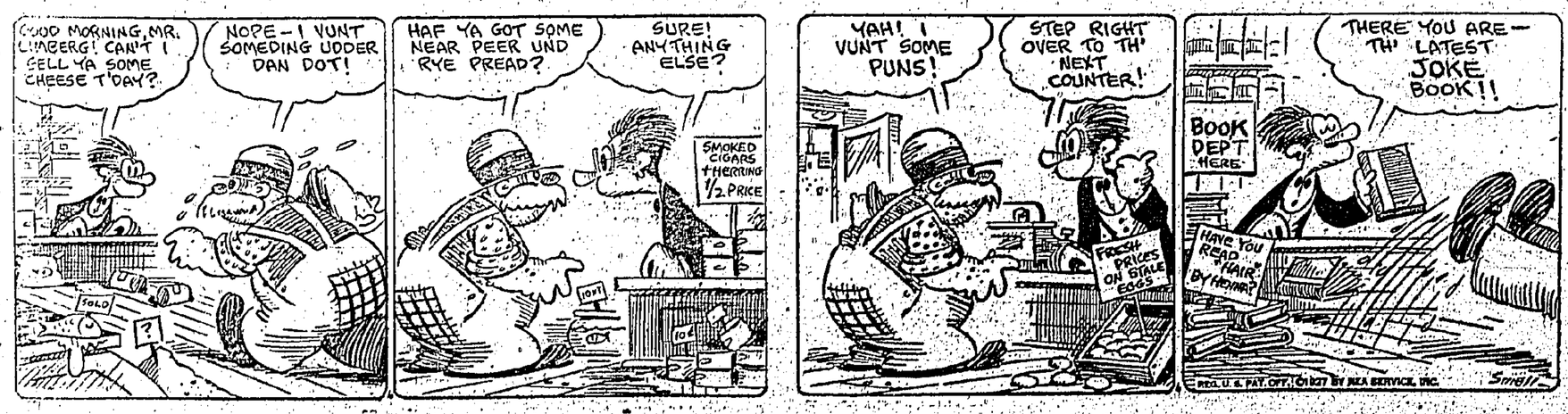
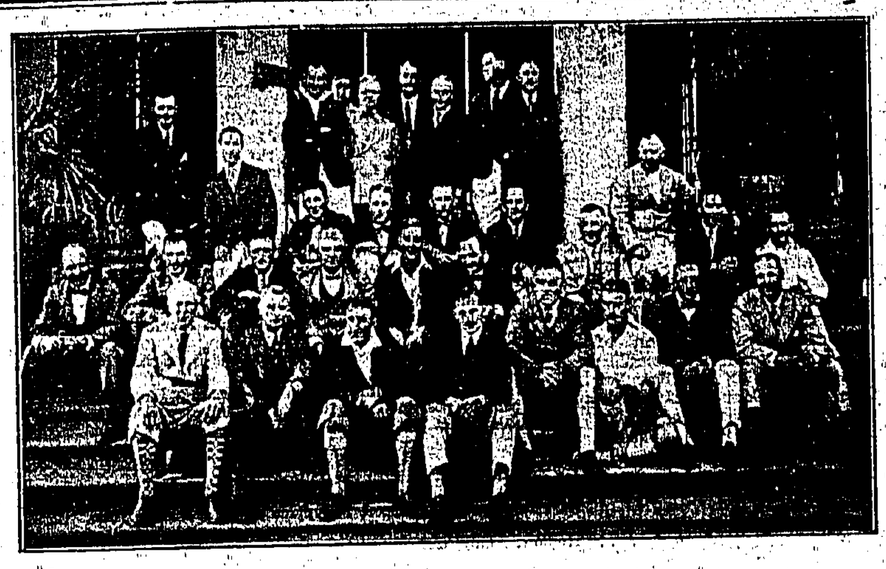
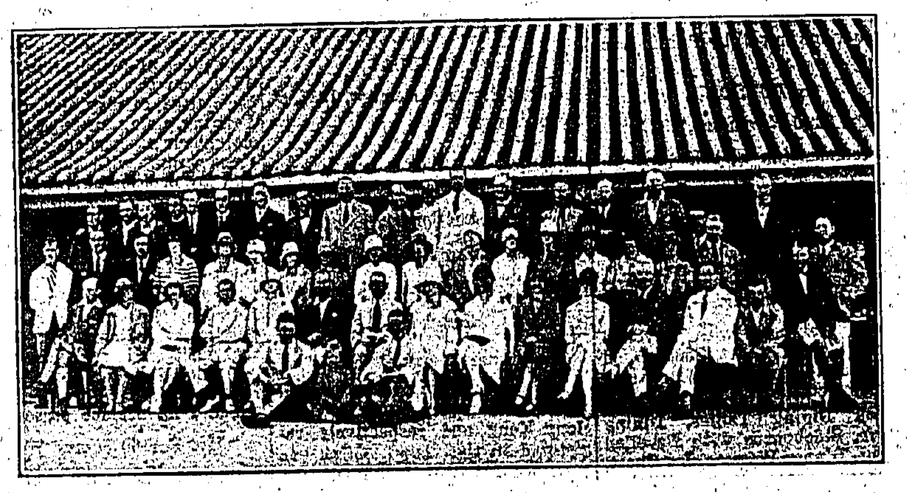




Group taken at the international golf match between the St. George's and St. Andrew's Societies, played at Fanling on Sunday last, the former winning by 14½ points to 10. (*Photo: Ming Yuen*).

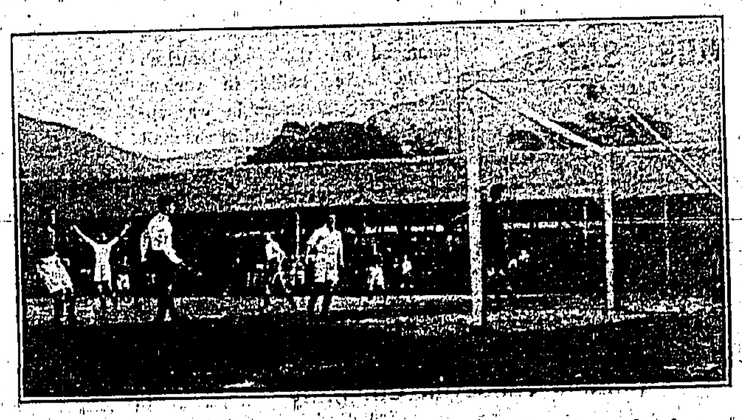
The wedding of Mr. K. A. Staple and Miss M. J. Warbrick, at St. John's Cathedral on Monday. (*Photo: Ming Yuen*).

The bridal party at the wedding of Mr. T. G. Padgett and Miss V. W. May, at St. John's Cathedral last Saturday. (*Photo: Ming Yuen*).



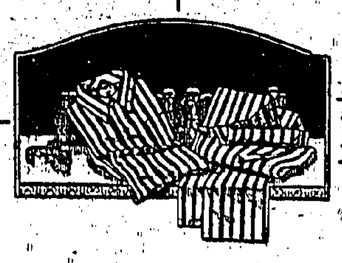
Group of members and friends of the Shek-O Golf Club taken on the occasion of the recent Club championship. (*Photo: Ming Yuen*).

The annual dinner of the Ex-Active Service Men's Association took place on Armistice Night at the Volunteer Headquarters. Above photo was taken during the evening. (*Photo: Ming Yuen*).



On Armistice Day a charity football match was played on the Sookunpoo Ground between teams representing The Services and The Rest, the former winning easily by six goals to one. (Photo: Welcome Studio).

Group photograph taken at the Hongkong University football ground, showing the University hockey team and the visiting Waseda players. (Photo: A. Fong).



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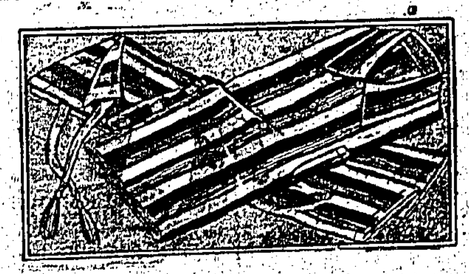

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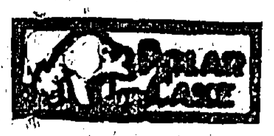

IT'S QUALITYS THAT COUNT.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

FANLING HUNT.

Draft programmes and entry forms for the Autumn Meeting to be held on Saturday, 3rd December, 1927, (weather permitting) may be obtained from Dr. F. Pierce Grove, The Polo Club, Hongkong Club, and Causeway Bay Stables.

Entries will close at noon on Saturday, 19th November, 1927.

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The Annual General Meeting of the Members of the above Society will be held on Tuesday, 29th November, 1927, at 5.15 p.m. in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.

All Ladies and Gentlemen interested in Horticulture, whether Members of the Society or not, are cordially invited to attend.

AGENDA.

To receive and pass the Committee's Report and Statement of Accounts for the period ended 30th June, 1927.

To elect Officers and a new Committee for the current year.

To fix the date of the annual Flower Show.

To discuss any matter of interest to Horticulturists in Hongkong and outlying districts.

E. B. C. HORNELL.
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 5th November, 1927.

CHURCH NOTICES.

TO-MORROW'S SERVICES.

St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong, V.D.A. Sunday, November 20th, 1927. Sunday before Advent. Holy Communion, 8 a.m. Children's Toy Service, 10 a.m. Matins, 11 a.m. Preacher: Rev. H. A. Wittenbach. Holy Communion, 12 noon. Bilingual Service in English and Chinese, 3 p.m. Preacher: Rev. Lee Ying Piu. Evensong, 6 p.m. Preacher: Rev. W.R. Cannell. Collections for the Victoria Diocesan Association.

First Church of Christ Scientist, Macdonnell Road, below Bowen Road Tram Station. Sunday Service, 11.15 a.m. Subject: "Soul and Body" Wednesday Evening Meeting at 5.30 p.m. Reading Room at above address, open Tuesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, Monday and Thursday, 5 to 7 p.m. The Public is cordially invited to attend the services and visit the Reading Room. Branch of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass, U.S.A.

Seventh Day Adventist Hall.—7, Duddell Street (first floor). Sunday, November 20th, at 8.30 p.m., lecture by Pastor Lyman W. Shaw, "20th Century Events X-Rayed in the Light of Bible Prophecy." Each Sunday evening hereafter stirring Lectures will be presented on present day subjects about which the public is anxious to be informed. You are invited.

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By accident of birth I am a "braw lad of Gala Water," he said, "but five weeks after birth I was taken to Jedburgh, just when the great meeting was held at Canonmills, Edinburgh, which brought the Free Church of Scotland into being and made the Disruption an accomplished fact."

I have a pretty good memory and still retain a vivid remembrance of the public hanging of Thomas Wilson for the murder of Lauder at St. Boswells Fair. This took place at Jedburgh in October, 1849, and the result was that we boys tried to play the game of hanging, using an apple tree in a neighbour's garden. Something went wrong with the slip knots, and my brother narrowly escaped death from suffocation, being only saved by the presence of mind of a woman who broke several of her teeth in loosening the knot.

I remember also the visit of Kossuth, the great Hungarian patriot, to Jedburgh in 1857, and that visit made an impression on me which did much to foster within me the great love of freedom which I have since possessed.

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I moved to Stow in 1858 and can well remember the great gathering of Border Liberals there when Mr. Gladstone, in his Midlothian campaign of 1880, stirred the country to its very depths.

I came to Peebles in 1889, and first entered the Town Council in 1893. At one time I was a member of the Town Council, Parish Council, and School Board, and am still a member of the Parish Council and School Management Committee.

Two years ago I was elected Dean of Guild at the age of 83. For some years I held the distinction of being Scotland's oldest acting Councillor and I am not without hopes of again claiming that title. November I will settle that question.

I have had to work hard all my days, and have no time for the people who advocate the "ca' canny" policy. I have always stood for the rights of the working man and it is in their interests that I am again seeking return to the Town Council.

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Straits and London Parcels Mail London 11th October	Khiva	November 21.
Shanghai and Amoy	Cherran	November 21.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	Emp of Canada	November 22.
Japan	Mishima Maru	November 22.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Shinyo Maru	November 22.
Japan and Shanghai	Sphinx	November 22.
Shanghai	Mongolia	November 25.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Haiphong	Tonkin	Sat., Nov. 19, 1.30 p.m.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Patroclus	Sat., Nov. 19, 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Ramses	Sat., Nov. 19, 3.30 p.m.
Amoy	Kiungchow	Sat., Nov. 19, 5 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Polk	Sat., Nov. 19, 5 p.m.
Saigon	Prosper	Sat., Nov. 19, 5 p.m.
Swatow	Chaksang	Sat., Nov. 19, 5 p.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kiangsu	Sun., Nov. 20, 8.30 a.m.
Shanghai	Trier	Sun., Nov. 20, 9 a.m.
Manila and parcels for Germany via Hamburg	Sachsen	Sun., Nov. 20, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Kishu Maru	Mon., Nov. 21, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	Mon., Nov. 21, 2.30 p.m.
Straits	Titan	Mon., Nov. 21, 2.30 p.m.
Amoy	Chekiang	Mon., Nov. 21, 4.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, *U.S.A., *Canada, *C. and *S. America and *Europe via San Francisco and Europe via Siberia	Pres. Lincoln Parcels Registration Letters (Due San Francisco 15th December).	Mon., Nov. 21. 3 p.m. 4.15 p.m. 5 p.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Menado Maru	Tues., Nov. 22, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiching	Tues., Nov. 22, Noon.
Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Sphinx K.P.O. Registration Letters G.P.O. Registration Letters (Due Marseilles 23rd December).	Tues., Nov. 22, 10 a.m. 10 a.m. 11.45 a.m. 12.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Cleveland	Tues., Nov. 22, 4.30 p.m.
Amoy	Laisang	Tues., Nov. 22, 5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Taikwa Maru	Wed., Nov. 23, 8.30 a.m.
*Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	Mishima Maru Registration Letters (Due Thursday Island, 5th December).	Wed., Nov. 23, 8.45 a.m. 9.30 a.m.
Sandakan	Hinsang	Wed., Nov. 23, 1.30 p.m.
Manila	Emp. of Canada	Wed., Nov. 23, 3.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. and S. America and *Europe via Victoria, B.C. and Europe via Siberia	Pres. Grant Parcels Registration Letters (Due Victoria, B.C., 13th December).	Wed., Nov. 23, 3 p.m. 4.15 p.m. 5 p.m.
Straits	Cremer	Thurs., Nov. 24, 10 a.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Chinhua	Tues., Nov. 24, 10 a.m.
Japan, *Canada, *U.S.A., *C. and *S. America and *Europe via Victoria, B.C.,	Parcels Talthybius Registration Letters (Due Victoria, B.C., 20th December).	Nov. 23, 5 p.m. Thurs., Nov. 24, 9.45 a.m. 10.30 a.m.
Java via Batavia	Tjimanock	Thurs., Nov. 24, 2.30 p.m.
Weihaiwei	Kuelchow	Thurs., Nov. 24, 2.30 p.m.
Manila	Phemius	Fri., Nov. 25, 5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haihong	Fri., Nov. 25, Noon.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Mongolia K.P.O. Parcels Registration Letters G.P.O. Parcels Registration Letters (Due Marseilles 23rd December).	Sat., Nov. 26, 25th 4.30 p.m. 26th 9 a.m. 26th 10 a.m. 25th 5 p.m. 26th 9.45 a.m. 26th 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, *Canada, *U.S.A., *C. & *S. America and *Europe via San Francisco	Shinyo Maru Registration Letters (Due San Francisco 26th December)	Tues., Nov. 29, 9.00 a.m. 10.30 a.m.
Weihaiwei	Chipshing	Tues., Nov. 29, 3.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Sarpedon K.P.O. Registration Letters G.P.O. Registration Letters (Due Marseilles 28 December,).	Wed., Nov. 30, 9 a.m. 10 a.m. 9.45 a.m. 10.30 a.m.

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

Idling in King's-road, Chelsea, a little girl, Morene Littlejohn, who lives in Arthur-street, tried to see if her head was small enough to pass between the railings of a house. It was. But reversing was quite another matter. It refused to come out, despite the lubrication of copious tears. Passers-by, attracted by her cries, lent their assistance unavailingly; shopkeepers tried without success to set her free, and all the King's-road policemen—or such of them as were on the spot—also tried in vain. Then the Chelsea Fire Brigade from South Parade dashed to the scene in red and brass, complete with crowbar, and in a moment Morene was free to run off home, unhurt but with a determined resolution in that young head of hers that proved both too small and too large.

THE CHANNEL HOAX OUTBURST.

ANGRY LETTERS TO HOME PAPERS.

WOMEN'S PROTESTS.

London, Oct. 19.

The Channel swim hoax perpetrated by Dr. Dorothy Logan has caused an amazing outburst of public indignation.

This is evidenced by the large number of letters received at the offices of the *Daily Mail*. With one exception only all the correspondents condemn Dr. Logan's action, and among the complaints urged against her are that she has discredited her sex; smirched the British reputation for sport and sportsmanship; cast a slur on others who have swum the Channel.

History of Hoax.

The history of Dr. Logan's hoax follows:

October 11.—Pretended that she had swum from Cape Grisnez, France, to Folkestone in 13 hours 10 minutes.

October 12.—Was present at the dinner of the British Medical Association and was congratulated by Lord Birkenhead.

October 13.—Expressed disgust at allegations in French newspapers that her Channel swim was a "fake":

October 13.—A cheque for £1,000 was paid over to Dr. Logan by the proprietors of the News of the World newspaper, Dr. Logan having obtained this prize by signing a declaration that she had swum the Channel in 13 hours 10 minutes. She took the cheque to her bank and asked that it should be placed on deposit and held at the disposition of the News of the World.

Confessed to the editor of the News of the World that she had not swum the Channel: that her signed declaration was a bogus one and that, although she set out with the intention of performing the feat if it was possible, she decided to use her failure to prove to the world how easy it would be for any person wrongly to claim that he or she had accomplished the feat.

"A Slur on Others."

The following are extracts from some of the letters received:

The astonishing disclosure that a woman, abetted by some men, had, by means of false declarations as to the swimming of the Channel, deceived the whole British public has a far more serious side than the mere disgrace attaching to individuals who deliberately state a lie in a solemn declaration "conscientiously believing the same to be true." Up to now British sport and British sportmanship have been considered, both in this country and before the whole world, as absolutely honourable. Now that this silver shield has been smirched, the whole reputation of British sportsmanship must suffer.

Having made an affidavit and sworn the contents of same to be true by virtue of the Statutory Declarations Act, why should not immediate action be instituted against this woman to show how the law deals with persons who make untrue statements in affidavits? Dr. Logan has branded herself for ever, and in the true sportsmanlike world there is no time for any such persons.

Dr. Logan has "let down" her profession; and, what is more important in these days, her sex.

Dr. Logan has cast a slur on others who have achieved what she failed to accomplish by implying that they were as dishonourable as she.

Not only is our faith shaken in regard to affidavits but also this sort of thing destroys confidence in the medical profession, and I do not think it is anything but detrimental to the cause of women doctors. How Dr. Logan could accept the world's congratulations and the cheque for £1,000—under pretence—and still feel no shame—well, I blush with shame for her!

This Channel hoax has done a great and unfair disservice to women all the world over. It even reacts adversely on Votes for Flappers.

INDIAN CANAL SYSTEM.

30,000,000 ACRES IRRIGATED.

Ferozepore, Oct. 31.

Before a distinguished assemblage, including the Governor of the Punjab, Lady Hailey, and high Punjab civil and military officials, the Viceroy opened to-day the Ferozepore headworks.

His Excellency pointed out that the perennial canals of India now irrigate nearly thirty million acres, an area three times the size of Denmark. The total length of the channels which brought life-giving waters to the lands would more than girdle the earth twice over.

CONTRACT ISSUE.

COMPANY'S APPEAL SUCCEEDS.

MALAYAN PLANTER'S CLAIM.

The Chief Justice Sir William Murison, delivered an interesting judgment in Singapore last week in a case in which the Roebourne Finance and Investment Company, Limited, appealed against a decision of the District Court Judge. In the District Court the appellants were sued by John Wisdom for breach of contract by dismissing him without justification from his post as assistant on their rubber estate. The decision of the District Judge was in the plaintiff's favour and he was awarded $300 damages. The appeal was for the judgment to be set aside.

The Chief Justice gave judgment as follows:—The plaintiff in this case sued in the lower Court for breach of contract on the ground that the defendants had dismissed him without justification from his post as assistant on the Roebourne Finance and Investment Company's rubber estate.

The contract between the parties, said his Lordship, is contained in a letter of the 20th of July 1927. The material part is as follows:—"You are appointed on three months' probation from July 20th, 1927, at a salary of $250. At the end of September I will advise you whether you will be confirmed in your appointment or not."

The facts are simple. The plaintiff, upon receipt of his engagement, set off to Seletar, where he was to meet the General Manager and go in a launch to Paradin, an eight hours' journey, where the estate was. The plaintiff arrived at Seletar several hours late with an Indian woman and her son, ordered the servants about loudly, and was in some degree apparently under the influence of liquor. These circumstances being communicated to the defendants, they summarily dismissed the plaintiff.

Damages Against Company.

The judge in the lower Court held that there was no reliable evidence of drunkenness, and that generally, the defendants' case failed. He awarded $300 damages. The defendants have now appealed.

Before us, Mr. E. A. Stevens, for the defendants, raised a point upon the consideration of the contract which was not argued in the Court below. He says that as the plaintiff was "on probation" he could be dismissed summarily if his conduct did not meet with the approval of the defendants. He cites Curry vs. Ogston Motor Co. (1915). There the contract was for a year, but it was agreed that the servant could be dismissed if his work was not "to the satisfaction of the directors". It was held that the dismissal was justified if the directors were genuinely dissatisfied with the servant, and that the directors need assign no reason for their dissatisfaction. There appears to be no reported case nearer than this to the present case.

I find some difficulty about this contract. If the plaintiff could be dismissed at any time without any reason assigned, or any reasons which did not amount to such incompetence or such misconduct as the law requires for summary dismissal, why is the period of three months named? Similarly, if the contract is simply a contract of three months' service, what do the words "on probation" mean?

In my opinion, what we have to arrive at is a construction which will give due weight to all the words of the contract. I think this object is attained by construing the contract as meaning (1) that the plaintiff should remain in the service of the defendants so long as his services were approved by the defendants—for that, I take to be the meaning of the expression "on probation" and (2) that this state of affairs was to continue for three months when either a new contract of service was to be made, or relations terminated.

In fact, I think the words of this case, though not quite so strong as the words in the Ogston Motor Co. case so nearly approximate to them that our words come under the principle which the case lays down.

Special Contract.

If this view is correct, which after some doubt, I think, is the case, it is unnecessary to consider the findings of fact of the lower Court upon the issue raised. They deal only with the law relating to justification of dismissal in the ordinary case. This, if the view I have taken is correct, is not an ordinary case but a case of special contract. In my opinion the defendants under the contract in this case had power summarily to dismiss the plaintiff if his work or conduct generally did not meet with their approval. I have no doubt whatever that the disapproval of the defendants was genuine.

I would allow the appeal and direct that judgment be entered for the defendants with costs here and below.

Mr. Justice Deane concurred and gave it as his opinion that the District Judge was mistaken in treating it as an ordinary contract where the master was bound to justify the dismissal of the servant. By the very terms power to dismiss him at any time if he did not prove satisfactory, and the whole question was whether the employer was honestly dissatisfied. Under the circumstances, it was not surprising that Mr. St. Alban Smith, who employed the plaintiff, should come to the conclusion that he was not a suitable person for his purpose.

The voice with the engagement ring in it wins.

SINGAPORE NAVAL BASE WORKS.

WELL-KNOWN BRITISH FIRM INTERESTED.

SEVERAL MAY TENDER.

Sir Evan Jones, permanent director of Messrs. Topham, Jones, and Railton, the British engineering firm which built the breakwater in the Singapore roads and the Johore Causeway, is at present engaged in inspecting the naval base site at Seletar.

Sir Evan Jones told a *Straits Times* representative at the Europe Hotel last week that he had spent a month in Perak, where his firm were constructing the dam across the Perak River at Chenderth for the Perak Hydro-Electric Company, and he was now engaged in making a preliminary inspection of the ground at the naval base site, his firm being one of several which had been asked by the Admiralty to tender for works which are to be carried out there. He will be returning to England next week.

Although the rumour published in a London newspaper some time ago to the effect that the Admiralty contract for harbour works at Singapore would be worth £10,000,000 has never received any confirmation, it is known that the Admiralty have asked five or six well-known firms to tender for works in connection with the naval base, and doubtless other leading British engineers may be expected to arrive at Singapore in the near future.

A "WHALE" PROBLEM.

STRANDED CARCASES AT DORNOCH.

London, Oct. 31.

An intensified version of the problem of how to deal with a stranded whale is reported from Dingwall. It is stated that 150 carcases were stranded at Dornoch Firth during a massed attack by them on shoals of herring.

Fishermen have now realised the futility of trying to "shoo" whales to sea.

The carcases line the coast for two miles. Experts who inspected them have pronounced them "true fishes royal." Therefore they belong to the King. The Health Authorities who were requested by the Royal Health Board to dispose of the menace, have replied that it was the Customs' officers' business. The King was only concerned if the whales were wanted for scientific purposes, especially if they were required as museum specimens.

Whaling companies have refused to be dragged in, saying that the whaling season has ended. The local Council has decided, in the interests of local health, to tow the carcases to deep water before putrefaction sets in.

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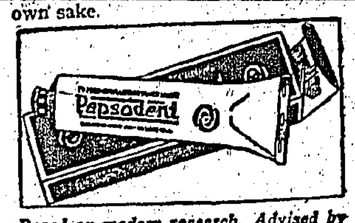

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HOW SCIENCE WAS HOAXED.

"ANCIENT" BONES "DISCOVERED TOO SOON."

London, Oct. 25.

It is now definitely established that the famous Field of the Dead, at Glozel, France, at which supposedly prehistoric objects were discovered, was one of the cleverest scientific hoaxes of modern times.

A man named Hunter Charles Rogers, whom the *Daily Sketch* has repeatedly exposed as a dealer in spurious documents and pictures, has asserted that, with the aid of "an Englishman, now in America," he planted the "relics."

In 1924, when the Field was first discovered, it was hailed by archaeologists as of considerable importance. It was not until September last, when M. Dussaud, the well-known archaeologist, startled scientists with the declaration that the bones unearthed were those of a modern cow, and that the inscriptions purporting to reveal the oldest alphabet in the world, were faked, that the authenticity of the discoveries was questioned.

"We went to France with stones, implements and vases," declares Rogers, "and, with the help of a farmer, dug them into the field. The idea was that we should lead a discovery party in 1928.

"I ran out of money, however, however, and the farmer, in order to benefit himself, began discovering things prematurely. Most of them were genuine, but others were copies which I made.

"I bought a lot of genuine prehistoric stuff. I also had a few genuine stones bearing prehistoric drawings of reindeer and horses, and I made more by scratching stones with glass and old razor-blades.

"It is easy to deceive experts," was Rogers's boast. "I am only a Buckinghamshire farm-labourer, yet I have hoaxed the world in my time."

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AUTHOR MURDERS HIS SECRETARY.

TRAGIC FATE OF HUSBAND OF ENGLISH POETESS.

LEAP FROM WINDOW.

Mr. George Hermann Scheffauer, an American writer of German descent, whose literary work is famous both in Berlin and in the United States, committed suicide after murdering his secretary, Fraulein Katherina von Mayer.

Berlin literary circles, in which Mr. Scheffauer was a prominent figure, are shocked not merely by the tragedy itself, but also by the terrible circumstances in which it was enacted.

Mr. Scheffauer for some time had been living apart from his wife, the English lyric poetess whose verses signed "Ethel Talbot" have long been familiar to the British literary public.

Recently he had been concentrating on the writing of a novel, which he intended to make the most important production of his literary career, and Fraulein von Mayer, who was 28 years of age, had been taking down the novel from the author's dictation.

A Quarrel.

During the afternoon author and secretary quarrelled, and Scheffauer, the police state, seized a knife and stabbed Fraulein von Mayer three times in the breast. The woman defended herself desperately—wounds on her hands are the evidence of a terrible struggle for life—but she collapsed across the writing table, and was dead when the police found her.

Scheffauer afterwards turned the knife against himself, stabbing himself three times in the chest and cutting a vein in his wrist. He then rushed to the window, and after inflicting a wound in his throat leaped from the fourth storey into the courtyard below.

He was alive when picked up, but died a few minutes after reaching the hospital.

Translated Wilde.

Scheffauer was born in San Francisco 50 years ago, and practised as an architect before becoming a writer. He quickly gained a reputation as a playwright and short story writer. When war broke out he was living in London, but a few months later came to Berlin, where he championed the German cause.

He has lived in Berlin for the past 12 years, in close association with Germany's prominent authors.

Scheffauer has translated Oscar Wilde into German, and Thomas Mann, Germany's leading novelist, into English. His best-known works here, translated into German, are a volume of short stories, under the title "The Champagne Ship," and a volume descriptive of present-day American life and thought.

"LEVIATHAN OF THE SKIES."

SENSATIONAL BOMBER EVOLVED.

London, Oct. 24.

The aviation correspondent of the *Star* says that the super 'plane, built at the Beardmore works, which weighs 20 tons and is of 2000 h.p., was originally built to carry from 35 to 40 passengers. It has attracted the attention of the Air Ministry, which is secretly assembling it with a view to testing it as a bomber capable of carrying from four to five tons of explosives.

"The leviathan of the skies," as it is aptly dubbed, is inflexible, and is the first 'plane to be entirely constructed of duralumin, which is light than wood and fabric of a similar size. A cunning distribution of stresses enables the minimum use of metal, and the maximum strength. Also it is the first 'plane to be built by engineering mechanics, unaided by aircraftsmen.

If the tests are successful the 'plane will have a far-reaching effect on future designs. The huge wheels require special tyres with quarter-inch inner tubes, inflated by special electric pumps.

WORLD'S TRAIN RECORD.

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London, Nov. 1.

The driver, William Ward of Crewe, has created a world's train record, driving the Royal Scot Express from London to Carlisle, a distance of 300 miles, in 5 hrs. 38 min. without an assistant driver.

The journey is the longest non-stop in the world. The weight of the train was 544 tons.

JAPANESE PEARL CULTURE.

THE SCIENCE OF THE INDUSTRY.

CAREFUL METHODS.

Japan is widely known in the world for the production of pearls both natural and culture. Everybody knows that a pearl is the product of an oyster and its formation is caused by an irritant entering the delicate tissues of the mollusc and forcing the oyster to secrete layers of nacre around it. The culture pearl differs from the natural pearl only in the process at the beginning. In the case of the natural pearl, an irritant which forms the nucleus in the wild pearl enters the oyster accidentally, whilst that of the culture pearl is placed there intentionally. The forming of the pearl is entirely done by the oyster in both cases.

The culture pearl is often misunderstood by the public by the name "culture" since it suggests, to the uninformed public, the idea of the imitation pearl which has flooded the American market in the last several years. The following description as to how the "culture pearl" is formed will serve to clear any misunderstanding and at the same time will enrich our knowledge and enable us to appreciate its value.

The pearl cultivation industry in Japan was established by Mr. K. Mikimoto in September 1890, in Miye Prefecture, Japan. There was a constant struggle during the following four years in research and, finally, in 1894 the light of success dawned upon the industry. A patent was granted by the Imperial Government of Japan in January, 1896. From that time on the continuous experiments and studies of seventeen years have brought as a reward the successful production of perfectly spherical culture pearls in 1913.

The perfectly spherical pearls obtained by artifical means are similar to the natural pearl in colour, lustre and shape, and when they were first introduced to the markets of Europe they created an immense sensation among the pearl dealers of Paris and London, as they could not be distinguished from the natural pearls.

Japan may be accredited with the honour of succeeding by means of modern science in producing the round culture pearl, before any other country ever dreamed of such possibility.

Producing Culture Pearls.

As the mantle of the pearl oyster secrets the pearl substance, the method adopted by Mr. Mikimoto is based on the principle that any nucleus brought into contact with the mantle will become enveloped by the pearl substance, finally becoming a pearl.

The process consists of removing from a living oyster the mantle parenchyma which is used as a bag to envelope the nucleus of the pearl. When this nucleus, which consists of a tiny fragment of fresh water mussel, has been inserted in a fleshy bag, its mouth is secured with a cord, and the whole is introduced into the subcutaneous tissue of the shell-secreting epidermis of another oyster through an opening surgically made for the purpose. In the same operation the cord is withdrawn, the wound made by the lancet is disinfected, and the oyster having been returned to the sea is left to cover the nucleus with the many lacres necessary to produce perfectly spherical pearls. This process is extremely delicate, and unless done by selected technicians the work cannot be performed successfully.

When this method was published by the patent office, it was believed, at least by some Japanese that the technique of tying the mouth of the bag formed by the mantel-parenchyma would be too delicate and almost impracticable. There were certain European scientists who also held the same opinion. The actual performance of the delicate operation at the hands of expert technicians created great surprise. The pearl oysters after being so treated are left for several years in the nursery. Out of fifty oysters picked out of bed at random, on an average of thirteen contained perfectly round pearls.

The Natural Formations.

All natural pearls originate from the pearl sac, whether the casual stimulus for the formation of the pearl be external or internal, the pearl substance being secreted by the layer of epidermal cells of this sac. The function of these cells is precisely, that of mantle-parencyma cells.

For this reason it is impossible to judge the quality of a natural pearl on the basis of its nucleus, which is sometimes absent or which may be a grain of sand, a piece of shell or some other matter; and similarly it would be impossible to make any distinction in the value of pearls according to the nature of their nuclei. In fact no argument can be brought forward to support the contention that there should be a difference in price because of the character or presence or absence of the nucleus. The value of a pearl is determined by its external merits, and when a perfectly spherical pearl loses its external characteristics it loses its value and is only regarded as a worthless mass of limestone.

The theory relating to the production of perfectly spherical pearls by Mr. Mikimoto is endorsed by leading scientists in Europe, including such authorities as Dr. Jameson of England and Professor Boutan of Bordeaux University. They have published their opinions with the sole purpose of correcting false impressions, mistaken ideas and prejudies held by some. They were given solely by a desire to maintain the truth, a desire which always characterizes genuine scholarship.

There are several different concerns in Japan whose cultivating fields cover quite a number of districts throughout Japan, but the largest of all may be the Mikimoto cultivation field, which extends over 40,830 acres in eight districts in four Prefectures. The pearl known as the "Mikimoto Culture Pearl" is well known in domestic and foreign markets and prizes have been awarded by many international exhibitions.

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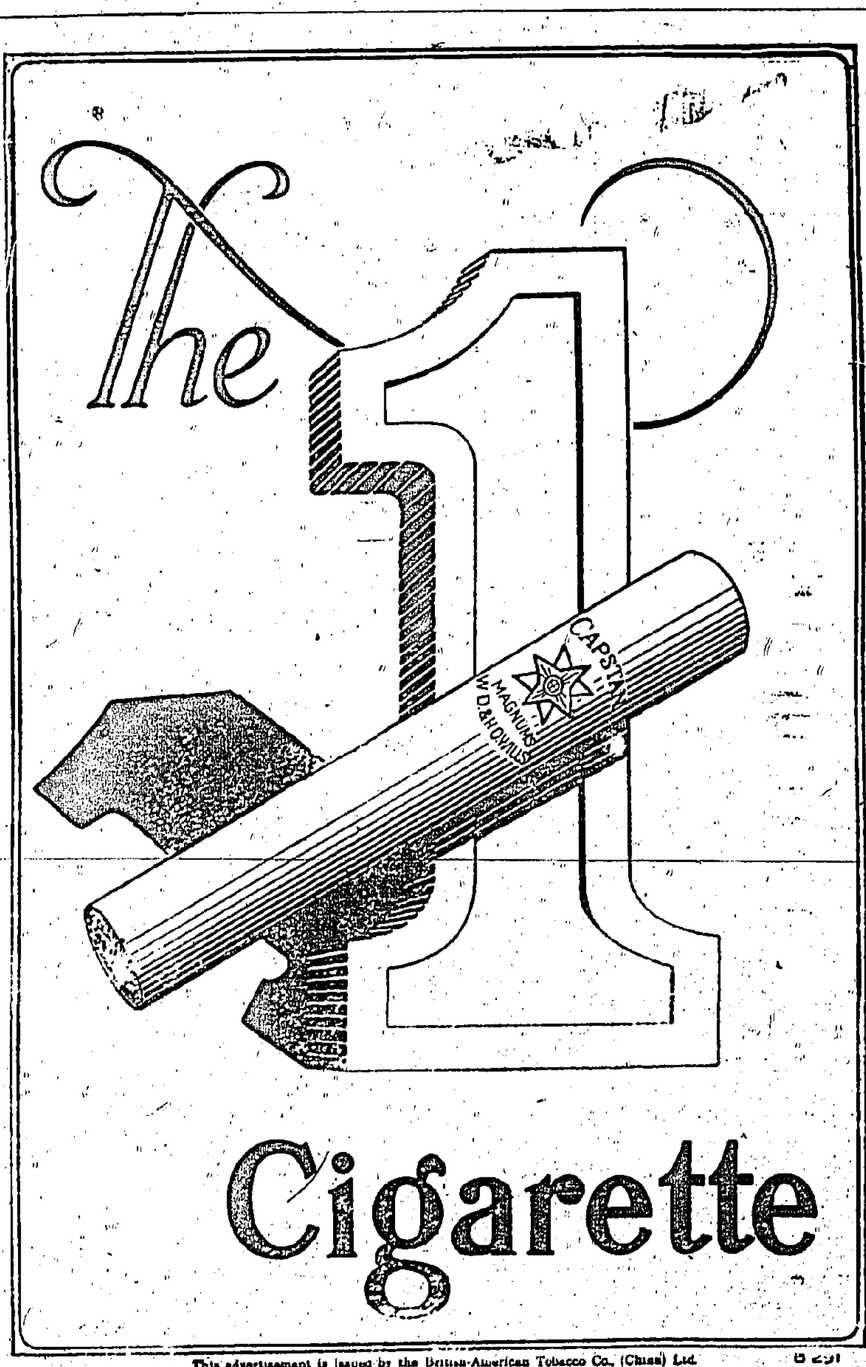

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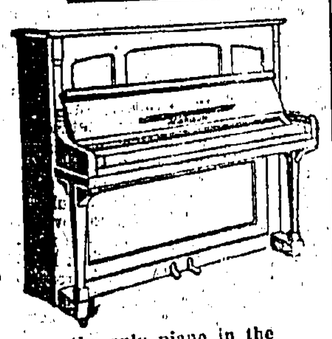

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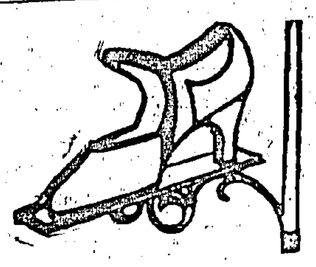

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OUR DAILY TALK ON HEALTH.

INFANTILE PARALYSIS AGAIN MAKES APPEARANCE.

METHODS OF PREVENTION.

Outbreaks of infantile paralysis in seven or eight middle west and near eastern states have served to focus attention anew on this crippling and dangerous disorder that usually comes to light late in the summer.

As yet medical science has not discovered with certainty the causative organism or a specific method of prevention that will be of service on a routine basis. The disease is a general infection with symptoms of paralysis due to inflammation of the spinal cord.

When the disease begins there is usually a rise in temperature, some disturbance of the digestion, general malaise, headache, restlessness and irritability followed by drowsiness with an inclination to be quiet. The inflammation of the nervous system causes pain and apprehension on motion.

For this reason there is stiffness of the neck and the spine. Two or three days after the disease begins there comes on paralysis of the power to move the parts but not of the sense of feeling in them. This is due to the fact that only the anterior part of the spine where the motor nerves are concerned is involved.

The posterior part is not affected. Hence the other name of this disease, acute anterior poliomyelitis! The legs are more frequently paralyzed than are the arms but the muscles of swallowing, of sight, or of other parts of the body may fail to respond because of the loss of proper nerve control.

So far as is known, the most effective method of preventing infantile paralysis would be complete isolation from all contact with any patient in the acute stage or in any other stage of the disease, as well as from those convalescing or those suspected of being carriers.

Until the cold weather sets in, when the incidence of the disease begins to lessen, children should not travel about any more than is absolutely necessary.

There are special serums for the prevention of the disease, including particularly the blood serum of a patient convalescing from the disorder, but there is no known specific preventive treatment that can be applied practically on a large scale.

The Ohio department of public welfare has issued a statement advising that the patient be placed completely at rest as soon as possible. Massage of the paralyzed muscles early in the disease has been shown to be harmful.

After about six weeks, gentle massage and passive movements may be used, but even these are capable of doing harm as well as good, and should be administered only under the direction of a competent specialist, or experienced physician. Rough handling of the spine may serve to extend the paralysis or to make it impossible for the inflamed tissues to recover as satisfactory as they might otherwise.

The Port of London Authority have ordered 10,000,000 cubic feet of timber from British Columbia in the face of keen competition from the United States. The contract, which is for Douglas fir, has been placed with the British Columbian Sawmills, and the timber will be used in connexion with the construction of the new docks at Tilbury. "The order," says a British Columbia official, "is of the utmost significance as indicating the increasing favour with which Columbian timber is being regarded. Douglas fir is slowly but surely supplanting American timber by reason of its greater durability." It is understood that the first shipment will arrive shortly.

THE PHYSICK WELL AT BARNET.

WHERE PEPYS DRANK FIVE GLASSES.

DISCOVERED IN 1650.

Within a few years the old Physick Well at Barnet may be as popular a meeting place as it was in Pepys's time.

The Clerk of the Urban District Council told a press representative that when the lease of a field now rented to a farmer expires it is proposed to restore the well.

"The field is the property of the council," he said, "but it will be some years before it comes into our hands again.

"Provision has been made for the erection of 181 houses on the Wellhouse Estate, most of which have now been built.

"The old well, the tonic properties of which were discovered in 1650, is in a field near some of the houses.

"Memories of the day when Samuel Pepys drank the waters will be perpetuated by a new brick structure with fountains, green walks, and flower beds, with two approaches, to be named Pepy's-crescent and Well-road.

"Could Drink no More."

"The well is a walled chamber below ground, access being obtained by a flight of brick stairs. The well will have to be cleaned out, and, subject to further analysis, it is hoped that the water will be drinkable."

In Pepys' Diary of July 11, 1664, is this entry:

"Betimes up this morning....at 9 o'clock set out to Barnet..... Thence I and Will to see the Wells half a mile off, and there I drank three glasses, and went and walked and came back and drank two more. The woman would have had me drink three more, but I could not.

And on August 11, 1667, is another reference:

"Up by 4 o'clock and ready.... to take coach before 5....and set on our journey and got to the wells at Barnet by seven o'clock and there found many people a-drinking.

In the same year Alderman Job Owen, a London fishmonger, gave £1 yearly for the upkeep of the well, and the governors of the Barnet Grammar School, the trustees of the charity, are contributing from the fund to the cost of the new approaches.

AIRMAN'S 6,000 FEET CRASH.

FAILURE TO COME OUT OF SPIN.

Climbing to a height of 6,000 feet to pass an altitude test, Charles Harold Swan crashed to death in a light aeroplane at Marsh Farm, Great Stanmore.

At the inquest it was stated that Swan, an artist's draughtsman, aged 24, of Fallow Court-avenue, Finchley, was a member of the London Aero Club. Captain Sparks, chief instructor, said Swan had been a member of the club for the past year, and he had been out in an aeroplane alone several times.

"He carried a barograph with him, and according to the reading he went to 6,000 feet," said Captain Sparks.

"On the previous day Swan watched another man who was making his altitude flight put his machine into a spin.

"He said, 'That seems a splendid way of losing one's height after an altitude test.' I pointed out that it was a silly thing to do, and that it was wrong.

"The barograph, however, shows that he put his machine into a spin and spun the whole way down."

The corner said his verdict was that Swan died from injuries caused by the aeroplane, of which he was the pilot, falling to the ground out of control. It was a case of misadventure.

STATE AIDED FLYING CLUBS.

£2,000 A YEAR FOR FOUR TOWNS.

BRITISH PIONEER WORK.

A new decision of the Air Ministry to grant subsidies of £2,000 a year for three years to four additional light aeroplane clubs was announced by Sir Samuel Hoare, Secretary of State for Air, officially opening the Bristol and Wessex Aeroplane Club at Filton Aerodrome, near Bristol.

"During the last few months," he said, "we have been considering very carefully the future of the light aeroplane clubs, and the kind of way in which the Air Ministry can assist them in their official organisation.

"Up to the present we have been able to give a subsidy from public funds to six light aeroplane clubs. I am glad to be able to tell you that we are now in a position to increase the number of clubs to which we can give a subsidy, and among the first of the new clubs we have selected for subsidy is the Bristol and Wessex Club. (Cheers).

"I shall not attempt to go into details of the conditions, but the basis of the subsidy is to be payment by results. And with that principle as the basis we are prepared to pay £50 to the club for every pilot who has got his A or B certificate. We are prepared in addition to pay £1 10s. for every flying hour up to a maximum of twenty hours flown by an A or B certificated pilot. In addition to that we are prepared to make a grant of £10 in respect of each member holding an A or B certificate in force on the previous January 1.

"We are prepared to make these grants up to a maximum of £2,000 a year. That is the maximum that any light aeroplane club can receive. We are prepared to continue these grants for a period of three years upon th definite understanding that at the end of the three years the club will be able to stand upon its own foundations without the need of a subsidy from the Government.

Self-Reliance Best.

"I hope that at the end of that time there will be no need for Government subsidy. It is much better for your club and for everybody concerned to be able to depend upon yourselves, and not to be tied down by the conditions that are inevitable in the case of any organisation that is receiving Government money.

"I am very glad to be able to make the announcement to-day that Bristol is one of the selected clubs to be added to the list as the capital of the West of England. Norwich will be another as the capital of the East of England. The third new club will be Nottingham, in the Midlands, and the fourth club will be the Scottish Flying Club, in Scotland. It may be possible after we go into the finances in greater detail to include one or two other clubs as well."

He wished the Bristol Club success, and hoped that Bristol would not only deserve the Government subsidy, but would prove itself to be one of the great civil flying centres of the country. He congratulated the officials who had started it without the prospect of any Government aid, and declared the club open.

The light aeroplane club movement (he said) was one of the most interesting in the world of flying anywhere. Two years ago it was started as a British movement peculiar to this country, and since that time a number of clubs had sprung up, and they have been very successful in training pilots and popularising flying generally. To-day, although the six clubs had only been in existence for a short time, there were no fewer than 1,500 members of them. Of these 750 were flying members, and 157 had already taken their A and B certificates. That was a very satisfactory result.

Many well-known aviators, both men and women, took part in demonstration flights, which were given for the entertainment of the large crowd which gathered for the opening of the club.

There was bright sunshine in the afternoon, but fog in the morning accounted for a minor accident. Mrs. Carberry, who was flying a Moth from London, came down near Streatley, and damaged the under-carriage of the machine. Captain H. S. Broad, who was escorting her in another machine, descended, and took her on as a passenger.

WINE IN A GLASS INVISIBLE.

DRINK TRULY ONLY WITH THINE EYE!

SOME EXPERT ADVICE.

Do you know how to drink wine? If you do not—and few people do—then the advice of M. Louis Forest will be of interest, for M. Forest is not only one of the best known of French journalists, but he is also a famous gourmet and president of the celebrated "Club des Cent" at Paris.

This "hundred" club is an extremely exclusive body; the members are limited to 100 in number, and they are the supreme authorities in France on what and how to eat and drink.

"For five years," said M. Forest at the American Club here," I have been endeavouring to determine the shape of the ideal glass out of which to drink wine.

"All the heavy glittering crystal tumblers or goblets are an abomination in the sight of the true wine drinker.

"When one raises wine to one's lips one must see the wine, and not the glass. So the glass should be very thin, and almost invisible."

M. Forest would doubtless revise a famous line from a famous poem and make it read: "Drink truly only with thine eyes."

"Good wine," he declared, "should be first drunk with the eyes."

Like a Bird—With a big Glass.

"When its colour has fully impressed itself on the mind the glass—held by the bottom of the stem—should be slowly rotated so as to bring out the bouquet, which is the next thing to enjoy.

"Finally one drinks slowly and delicately—with little sips, as a bird drinks."

One's glass, M. Forest said, should never be more than half full; and he believes in big glasses for good wine.

"The art of wine drinking," he added, "is a tradition in France. It is an epicurean art based, above all, on moderation. There are no drunkards in our great wine-growing regions.

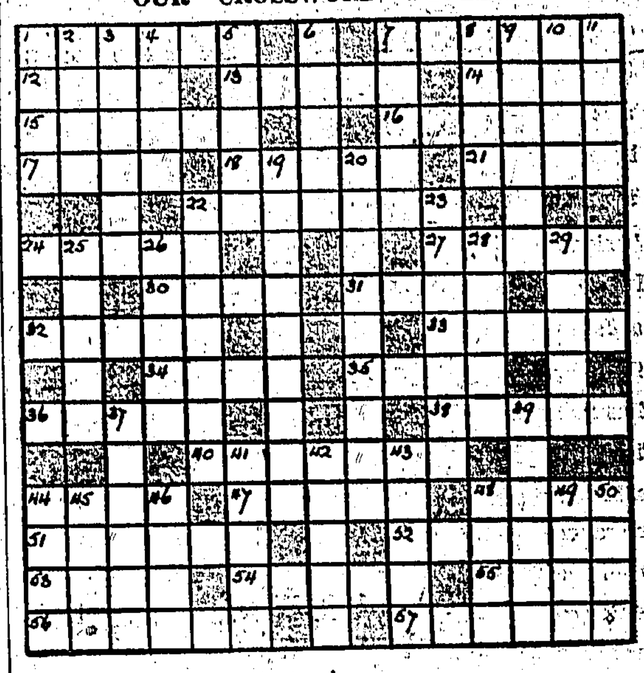
"Pierre Ronsard, the old Renaissance poet, who was as great a connoisseur of wine as of rich rhymes, had a chapel built before the entrance to his wine-cellar.

"His guests passed through the chapel and offered a prayer before descending into the cellar where the hoary bottles lay.

"Above the door was a quotation from Epicurus, exhorting all who entered to observe moderation in order to intensify their enjoyment.

"It is in this spirit that we should drink."

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



Across.

1 Efficacious.
7 Fruit (plur).
12 Submit.
13 Disturbances.
14 Wash.
15 Retired.
16 One who coats articles with gold.
17 Permits.
18 Make.
21 Grief.
22 Columnar.
24 Most bad.
27 Short pithy sentence.
30 Capture.
31 Descendant of the ancient Egyptian race.
32 Vaporous substance.
33 Palatable.
34 Brigade of Kaffir soldiers.
35 Place to lie.
36 Ten millions.
38 Brood of eagles.
40 Heated to excess.
44 Friends.
47 Lose blood.
48 A tax.
51 Divine communication.
52 Inner coat of shell of pollen grain.
53 Mercy.
54 Smell.
55 Molecule.
56 Arm covering.
57 Charming women.

Down.

1 Give a vote.
2 Hautboy.
3 Machine minder.
4 Organs of sight.
5 Rendezvous.
6 Regal.
7 Species of poplar.
8 Interweave.
9 Not manifested.
10 Level.
11 Wither.
19 Pertaining to heresy.
20 Filter.
22 Speak imperfectly.
23 Rendered void.
25 External.
26 Stop.
28 Kind of seal.
29 All (musical).
37 Flattened or depressed at the poles.
39 Relate.
41 Fleshy.
42 Joined by stitches.
43 Prepares for publication.
44 Darts.
45 Extra seed covering of some plants.
46 Sleeve hole.
48 Celestial body.
49 In a little while.
50 Sieve.

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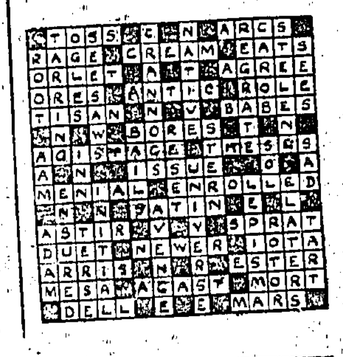

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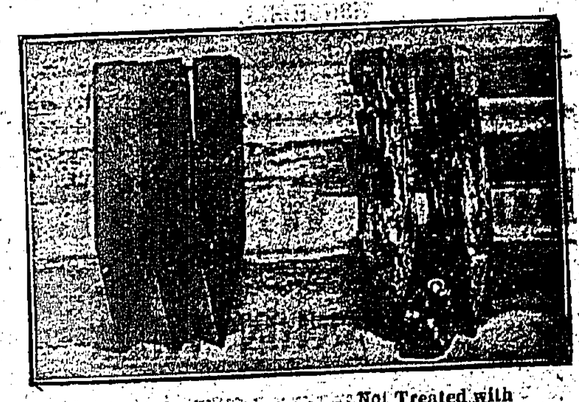

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BERG.—On November 17th, 1927, at the Peak Hospital to Constance, wife of Mr. Sverre Berg, a daughter (stillborn).

The Hongkong Telegraph.

SATURDAY, NOV. 19 1927.

GAOL ISSUES.

Unhappily, up to the present the four prisoners who managed to escape from Victoria Gaol last week have not been recaptured, and although the police are no doubt still on the look-out for them their task is by no manner of means an easy one. The fact that there happened to be some scaffolding in the vicinity of the Gaol compound greatly facilitated the efforts of the prisoners in making their escape, which was in no sense due to any inherent defects in the actual Gaol building. All the same—and this brings us to the question with which we wish to deal—there can be little doubt that the present Prison is, from many standpoints, very far from what it should be. It is common knowledge that Victoria Gaol is, generally speaking, in a very unsatisfactory condition structurally and that no amount of patching-up can ever make it meet present-day requirements. It is an extremely old building, is not nearly large enough to house the Colony's convicted criminals and its condition constantly calls for the expenditure of large sums of money in maintenance and repairs.

Some few years back, it was generally recognised in official circles that the provision of an entirely new Gaol was an absolute necessity. Accordingly, an admirable site was chosen at Ngau Shi Wan, with sufficient area to allow of the erection of a modern Prison and a Police Training School as well. Despite the considerable expense implied, the Colony was quite prepared to meet the cost of this project. Eventually, work was begun on the foundation and site preparation, with the result that well over a quarter of a million dollars was spent, principally in an elaborate system of patent piling. What has happened since? Nothing, unless it be that the whole scheme has been abandoned. In this connection, we heard some little time back that the Government had completely reversed its previous decision and intended finding an entirely new site on Hongkong island. We do not know whether that represents the present policy of the Government, but, be that as it may, we do assert that things are not by any means as they should be when Officialdom can chop and change its mind at will as in the case of this Gaol question, especially when such methods result in the literal throwing away of thousands of dollars of public money which the Colony could ill-afford to lose. If the Ngau Shi Wan scheme is never to be revived, it means that a hole has been dug in the ground at this place and a quarter of a million dollars of money calmly thrown into it. The money might just as well have been dumped into the harbour.

Not only are we surprised that Officialdom should so casually go back on a previous decision after the outlay of such a big sum, but we are even more astounded that there should be no Unofficial protest against such a procedure. It is at any rate due to the public that there should be some explanation of what has happened and of what the Government's present policy is in regard to this all-important matter of the Colony's gaol accommodation.

Hire-Car Touting.

There was a great deal of more than ordinary interest in the argument before the court in a case, reported yesterday, in which a hire-car driver was charged with obstruction, by unlawfully loitering with his vehicle in the course of touting for fares. The man was convicted on police evidence that he left the stand and approached a group of prospective fares, slowing down his car in front of them, but not stopping it, and not calling out to them in any way. The offence of obstruction appears to have been proved by the fact that the people whom he hoped to obtain as fares, were obliged to make a detour of a few feet round the back of the car, as it had been placed directly in their path. Counsel for the driver, after unsuccessfully citing instances of similar action by touting cabmen in London, asked for a definite ruling, either by the magistrate or the police, as to what actually constitutes obstruction in such a case. So far as the report of the case discloses, this ruling was not forthcoming. It may be repeated that the prosecution arose out of a special campaign against the nuisance caused by hire-car drivers who tout for fares in Hongkong. Most residents will recall the time when the drivers employed assistants who would even pluck at one's sleeve in order to attract attention to their vehicles. That nuisance has been practically stamped out. It appears that the authorities are prepared to overlook touting from the stands—that is, the men may call out to passersby, without moving either themselves or their vehicles from the rank. That is as it should be, for it is quite conceivable that someone in search for a hire-car would not immediately know it from a private vehicle were his attention not so attracted. But the case in point involved a wider issue, that of obstruction. In this instance there was no obstruction of traffic, but of individuals. While the man undoubtedly impeded the party he was touting, there appears to be a certain amount of obscurity on the point of illegal attempts to obtain a fare. For this reason it is to be hoped that the authorities will lay down a hard and fast ruling on the matter. If actions such as that of the driver who was fined are to be discouraged, the fact of their having to keep to their stance should be made known to the men. A distinct regulation that no driver of a hire-car should leave the stand until summoned by a fare, would set all doubts at rest. Otherwise the men, who are earning an honest living and are a boon now that taxicabs have gone off the streets, might legitimately claim that they have a grievance against the authorities.

BANKRUPTCIES.

DIVIDEND NOTIFICATIONS.

It is notified in the *Gazette* that the following dividends have been declared in Bankruptcy:

The Yee On firm, piece goods merchants, of 37, Jervois Street.—First and final of $2 per cent.

Henry Armando Castro, of 10, Orient Building, Kowloon.—First dividend of $10 per cent.

The Hang Fung firm, rice merchants, of 116, Connaught Road West.—First and final of $20.37 per cent.

DAY BY DAY.

IT IS FIRMNESS THAT MAKES THE GODS ON OUR SIDE.—*Voltaire.*

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The orders declaring Amoy and Hoihow infected places have been rescinded.

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The name of Mr. G. A. V. Hall has been added to the List of Authorised Architects.

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The *Gazette* contains details of the renumbering of some of the houses in Kennedy Road.

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The Empress of Asia left Shanghai at 5.30 a.m. to-day, and is due at Nagasaki on Sunday at 11 a.m.

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A Japanese committed suicide yesterday by leaping from the third floor of a house at Tai Yuen Street, Wanchai.

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His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has appointed Mr. B. C. K. Hawkins to act as Assistant Superintendent of Imports and Exports.

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It is notified that the names of the Hope Commercial Company, Limited, and the Shing Fat Steamship Company, Limited, have been struck off the Register.

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The Colony's average mean temperature during October was 74.8, the highest being 88.3 and the lowest 60.3. There were 232.8 hours of sunshine and 5.42 inches of rain, whilst the average humidity was 71.

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The King's Exequatur empowering Senor Don Eleodoro Rouillon to act as Peruvian Consul-General at Hongkong with jurisdiction in the British Colonies in Asia and the ports of India has received His Majesty's signature.

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Kowloon Inland Lot 2,095, situate at the junction of Mong Kok Road and Tung Choi Street, is to be sold by auction at the P. W. D. Offices on December 5th. The lot has an area of 4,464 square feet and the upset price is $2 per foot.

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The following regulation has been made under the Merchant Shipping Ordinance:—"Every vessel to which the signal of four blasts on the whistle is given by a police launch shall stop until permitted by the police to proceed."

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Dislodged through recent excavations, a boulder, weighing half-a-ton, dropped down from the summit of what still remains of Morrison Hill yesterday. It struck a coolie who was engaged in digging earth at the base, and killed him on the spot.

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The start of the 25,000 mile Empire air cruise by four giant metal R.A.F. flying boats and a show in London of early motor cars are items in the topical gazette which will be screened in the Queen's Theatre to-morrow along with the amusing feature film, "The Waning Sex."

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Mme. Wu Chao-chu, wife of Nanking's Foreign Minister, who was released several days ago after having been in the hands of the Ankuochun for some weeks, was due to arrive in Shanghai by the C.N.S. Tungchow from Tientsin on Wednesday, accompanied by her mother, Lady Ho Kai.

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It is notified that a competitive examination for the Indian Civil Service, open to all qualified persons, will be held in London in July and August, 1928, and that copies of the regulations, syllabus of examination, and forms of application to be filled up by the candidates may be seen on application at the Colonial Secretary's Office.

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The following Prison Regulation has been made:—"The Medical Officer shall visit every prison under his care at times to be arranged by the Superintendent, or as may be necessary, and shall see every prisoner therein at least once a week, so as to ascertain his general state of health, and whether he is clean in his person and free from disease."

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Pictures showing in the local cinemas for the last time to-day are Rex Ingram's fine production, "The Magician," at the Queen's Theatre; Laura La Plante's spectacular film, "The Midnight Sun," at the World; and the amusing story of New York life, "The Cohens and the Kellys" at the Star. The movie programme at the Star Theatre, it should be noted, lasts from 5.15 to 8.30 only, the new "Our Cabaret" presenting "A La Carte" at 9.15.

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The health bulletin of Eastern ports, issued by the Principal Civil Medical Officer, for the week ending November 12, contains the following cases, the figures in parenthesis, indicating deaths: Plague, Macassar 2 (2); Cholera, Bombay (2), Calcutta (17), Madras (3), Tuticorin (10), Singapore 4 (4), Batavia 2 (2), Canton 6 (5); Small-pox, Bombay 1, Madras 2 (1), Rangoon 1, Tuticorin 10 (1), Colombo 1, Singapore 1, Bandjermasin 17, Samarinda 1, Kuching 2 (1).

THE GOOD IN SCOTLAND.

A Temporary Resident's Tribute.

In a couple of week's time it will be eleven years since I first set foot in Scotland, and whilst I have forgotten much, I remember that it was hot-foot I came. The roar of the guns of the Somme was in my ears, the smell of its trenches on my uniform, the weariness, the bitterness, and the fear of war were deep sunk in my heart. And I came then to a place we called the "Chocolate-Box," a great, gaunt, solid building that overlooks the sea at Portobello.

Lost in the shambles I had been found; a War Office I thought had forgotten me had remembered; down the reeking trench of Longueval Alley to the horror of Trones Wood its messenger had come, snatching me from that foulness to speak of a commission granted, a return to Blighty, leave, and the Chocolate-Box.

It was then a reserve for men of the Royal Fusiliers. Some deep and fortuous method of reasoning had decreed that men from the capital of England should learn their soldiering in the capital of Scotland, but it was a good turn that was done us, even if unknowningly.

Those of us who had seen war called its occupants "chocolate soldiers"; we had a proper scorn of men who had never seen France. But we were mighty glad to sleep on its concrete floors and roll ourselves in our blankets amongst its abandoned machinery. We Englishmen, brought up with a knowledge of Dr. Johnson, were fully prepared to put up with a dour and beggarly race, but we had no objection to feeling around us the solid walls of that one-time sweetmeat factory, to hearing no more guns, wallowing in no more filth, smelling no more blood. Yes, we would put up with the Scots for that.

But we had our lesson to learn. We make our apologies now; for the time was quickly to come when we termed Dr. Johnson a liar, and took less pride in Guy Fawkes' reply to his king as he sat on a hot-plate in the Tower. If I may parody Mr. Kipling when I speak of the Chocolate-Box, "we learnt about Scotland from 'er."

We have pleasant memories, Even that of the Regimental Sergeant-Major is softened now. We called him "Caledonia," for none was so stern and wild as he. I can think pleasantly now of how, at my reporting myself to him, he told me to realise that I was no longer in France, that my uniform was filthy, my method of standing to attention a blot and a slur on the British arms, my belt (I had scrounged it from a dead Ox-and-Bucks man in Montauban) unregimental, and that, moreover, I was orderly corporal, for the morrow, and had better turn out looking like something remotely resembling a soldier.

But I knew something about soldiering for all that, and I did what any soldier would have done—fled, from the presence to the Y.M.C.A. hut. It stood, if I remember rightly, to the north of the Chocolate-Box, and was run by ladies of Portobello.

Ah, Scotsmen, what wonderful propaganda work for yourselves and your coutry did those ladies put up in the Fusilier days of the Chocolate-Box! I vow they were the noblest, kindest ladies that ever put hand to cakes and Kiwi. Within a week we were teaing, dining, even breakfasting when leave allowed from one end of Edinburgh to the other. When Morningside was not calling, Musselburgh took up the cry of invitation.

Within a fortnight most of us were swearing we had Scottish ancestry; we began to understand why Scotsmen are the manufacturers of the Aberdeen type of joke; we began to say "Hoch, awa' with ye" with the best of you, and the words "wee lassie" were not unknown. Not a man of us intended for a commission but did not mean to try for the Gordons or the Royal Scots, and later, at Gails, we even learnt the thrill of marching to the pipes—mark you, I don't say "bag-pipes" even now—and we learnt how it is that a Scottish soldier can march his legs away to the ankles before he falls out of the ranks.

I have not been back to Scotland since those days. Have they built on that waste ground at Portobello where we did our "jerks" and "at the throat an' stummick, p'int?" Do the machines of the Chocolate-Box turn out sweetmeats instead of hiding "old soldiers from the vigilant eye of the R. S. M.? Have they mended Portobello Pier yet? Do the cars still run with cables? Do you welcome the lone stranger as heartily now as you did then?

These are questions I would like to have answered—swept into your midst and away by eddies of war.

R. L. H.

THE WORLD SUGAR COMBINE.

CUBA GATHERING RECRUITS.

Paris, Nov. 18.

The Cuban delegate, Senor Tarafa, interviewed by Reuter, defined the scope of the sugar agreement between Cuba and certain European countries, concluded on November 14, whereby sugar crops and distribution will be internationally controlled.

Senor Tarafa is proceeding to Amsterdam to endeavour to induce Java producers to enter the combination.

It is declared that Santo Domingo has been approached and is expected to adhere, after which the smaller exporting countries will be approached, and finally the non-exporting countries like Britain and France.—*Reuter.*

Manila Opinion.

Mr. George H. Fairchild, Manila sugar merchant, declared in an interview that he had received private cable advices from Paris saying the results of the conference there were highly satisfactory to local interests.

"Cuba, Java, Czecho-Slovkia, Poland and Germany do not consume all the sugar they produce, in fact that the first two countries consume very little of their total output. In order to better their present conditions they are planning to sell the excess in the world sugar market," explained M. Fairchild in regard to the above dispatch.

"The competition between the cane and beet sugar interests has become so keen that both parties are realizing that the continuation of such competitive methods are no longer advantageous to either of them or to the consumer.

"This condition has depressed the price of sugar below the cost of production in many cases. During the war Cuba nearly doubled its production. All this was necessary, due to the shortage of beet sugar in Europe. The war was being fought on Europe's sugar fields.

"However," concluded Mr. Fairchild, "when beet sugar staged a comeback in Europe since the signing of the Armistice it was found that some agreement had to be reached to prevent the majority of the producers from going out of business. This agreement has the objective of better control of methods of selling sugar."

SIR ALAN COBHAM DELAYED.

OWING TO A CHANNEL GALE.

London, Nov. 18.

Sir Alan Cobham has postponed his departure from Southampton, in his giant flying-boat, to Africa, until November 19, owing to a gale in the Channel.—*Reuter*

A Cautious Flier.

London, Nov. 18.

Sir Alan Cobham was to have left Southampton this morning in his flyingboat for his African tour but news that a gale was blowing at 35 miles per hour in the Channel, caused him to postpone his departure.

Sir Alan Cobham explained that at a height of 2,000 feet such a gale would be increased to 50 miles an hour. This would reduce his speed so considerably that he would not be able to reach Bordeaux in daylight. An hour or two later it was reported that the gale had subsided but Sir Alan decided that, despite the improvement, it was then too late to make Bordeaux in daylight.—*British Wireless.*

VICKERS, ARMSTRONG LIMITED.

BENEFITS OF THE NEW COMBINATION.

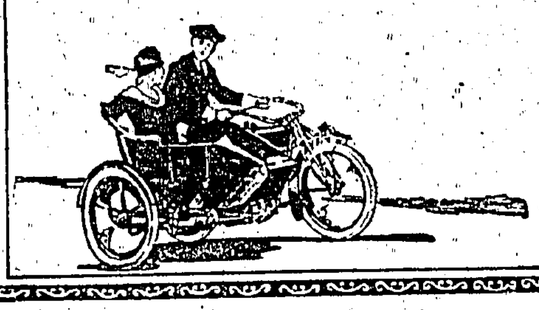
London, Nov. 18.

The new company formed through the combination of Vickers with Armstrong Whitworth will be called Vickers, Armstrong, Limited, and will have a capital of £21,000,000. The first chairman will be General Sir Herbert Lawrence.

Messrs. Vickers in a circular to the shareholders emphasise that by the amalgamation, production can be centralised at the most suitable works, while the other shops can be used for the manufacture of commercial products.

It is believed that the fusion will materially increase employment, and allow of very considerable economies, without detriment to national interest.

The Vickers company nominates six directors of the new concern, and Armstrong Whitworth nominates four.—*Reuter.*



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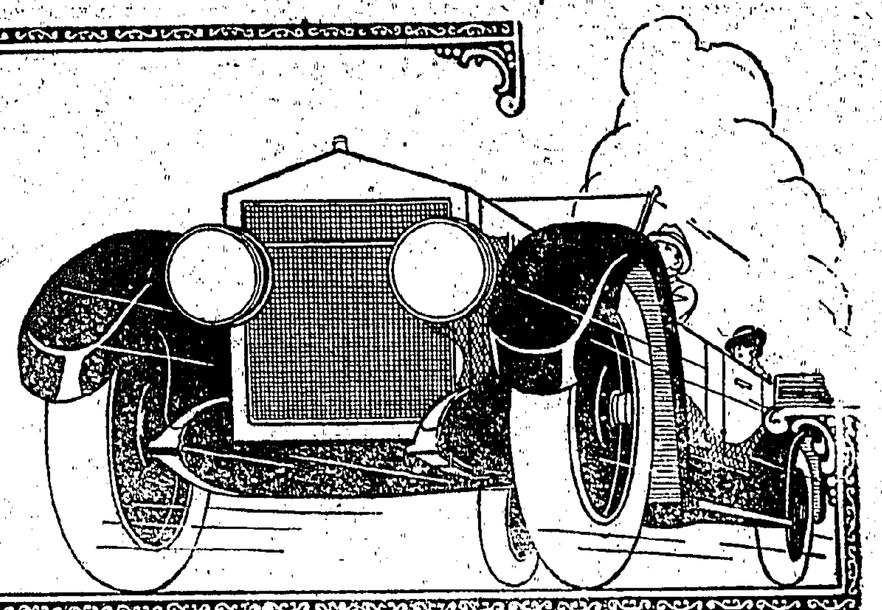

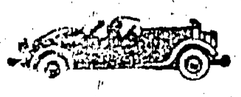

CURRENT COMMENT

Obey—Then Protest.

During the week, a local motorist was fined for disobeying police instructions in regard to parking, a fact which raises two interesting questions. In the first place, it is obviously imperative that the instructions given by an officer of the Traffic Department—or by any other police officer, be obeyed. The question of the legality of, or necessity for the instructions can be taken up with the proper Authorities afterwards, if the motorist feels that he has been victim of an injustice. Should he be a member of the Hongkong Automobile Association, he can place his complaint before that body, who will investigate it and make whatever recommendations which may be indicated. Every member of the Association may rest assured that his interests will be carefully studied. The case to which we refer related to a parking space, and if the motorist in question has been in the habit of leaving his vehicle at the same place for some years, and furthermore, if a considerable number of other owners park at this particular location regularly, there appears to be sound reason for a public notification from the Police that the habit must cease.

Signs Wanted.

The incident referred to in the above comment occurred in the vicinity of the Race Course, where, during race meetings, a very large number of cars have to find parking space. It is certainly annoying to be suddenly given instructions to move on, especially when the driver is merely following an accustomed practice. The matter would be best dealt with by the erection of signs indicating which are the authorised parking spaces, and this system should be brought into force in various parts of the Colony. In the meantime, drivers have no option but to obey the instructions given to them, but a good deal of unpleasantness would be avoided were the question of parking dealt with in a systematic manner.

Police Powers.

In order effectively to regulate traffic and ensure that general conditions of safety are observed, it naturally follows that the Police must be possessed of somewhat wide powers, and it is in connection with public safety that officers of the Traffic Department are now stopping even private vehicles and examining them for possible mechanical defects, such as braking, steering, etc. Generally speaking, this is all for the good, but, and the "but" is a most emphatic one, the sphere of enquiry should be definitely laid down. By this, we mean that it is certainly out of the scope of police officials to direct that a car should be taken off the streets for such a purpose as decarbonising, or for the remedying of any alleged defect which does not, in itself, constitute a danger to public safety. Furthermore, the officers chosen for this inspection work should be fully qualified mechanics, and men known to be possessed of that important attribute—discretion. While we do not suggest that the powers exercised are in any way excessive or unfair, we feel that no driver should be compelled to send his vehicle to a garage for overhaul or repairs unless every assurance is provided that the said repairs are necessary in the interest of public safety.

Improved Clyno.

During the week a representative of the *Telegraph* was given the opportunity of testing one of the 11 h. p. Clyno Overseas models which had been specially re-geared for Hongkong. It should be mentioned that although the Clyno is an immensely popular car in England and on the Continent, on account of its sturdy construction and reliability, the hilly nature of Hongkong's roads made it necessary for the driver to frequently change gear when negotiating many of the hills. Lane, Crawford's, the local agents, pointed this out to the manufacturers who decided that the engine possessed ample power, but that an alteration in the gear ratio appeared to be advisable. Acting upon this decision, special gear-sets have been built for Hongkong, and one of the cars has already been equipped accordingly. Our representative elected to take the run to the top of the Peak as a trial course, and was agreeably surprised with the great improvement effected. The whole journey was taken on top, and there was a total absence of engine-straining. The power reserve appeared to be considerable, and when on the level, acceleration proved to have been increased as a dual result of the new gearing. The makers are to be congratulated upon their enterprise, which will undoubtedly assist in popularising the Clyno in this Colony.

GETTING READY FOR THE FLIGHT TO AUSTRALIA.

In the "Southern Cross," the [illegible] monoplane pictured above, the Australian airman, Kingsford Smith and three companions will attempt a 9,500-mile hop from San Francisco to Australia by way of Honolulu. Smith, pictured in the inset, is in charge of the hop. The three Australians pictured below, his companions, are (left to right) William V. Todd, navigator; Capt. George Hubert Wilkins, Australian explorer, and Keith Anderson, co-pilot.

NEW RACE TRACK IN SHROPSHIRE.

Company to be Formed.

A public company is shortly to be formed for constructing a new motor-racing and testing track on the Wollon Estate, Westbury, Shopshire, between Welshpool and Shrewsbury.

It is estimated the project will involve a capital outlay of about £50,000.

The estate lies in a thinly populated district, so that the trouble at Brooklands with regard to noise will not arise, and the question of accommodation will be met by converting Wollon Hall, the mansion on the estate, into an hotel.

The track will be in the nature of a pear-shaped 3-mile-road circuit 30 feet wide, and there will be freak hills. One side can be used for a one-mile speed test, and steep gradients can be utilised as natural pull-ups.

FUTURISTIC.

Professor's Forecast.

That it will be possible to drive 300 miles an hour in a completely enclosed car about 80 years hence is the opinion of Professor Low, English scientist.

He thinks cars will then be governed by the principles of perpetual motion, in which science is making considerable strides.

Cars of the future, according to the professor, will be fitted with radio telephone and television, and will be so easy to operate that a driver will be able to see and speak to his friends at home while travelling. Folding wings will eventually be fitted to cars, enabling motorists to make long-distance air and ocean trips.

He did not add—though it seems a first necessity—that pedestrians will then no longer exist.

THIEF-ALARM.

Guards Spare Luggage.

Designed to prevent loss of rear luggage and suit-cases while travelling, a new alarm recently patented by a Frenchman, would also announce a theft from a stationary car.

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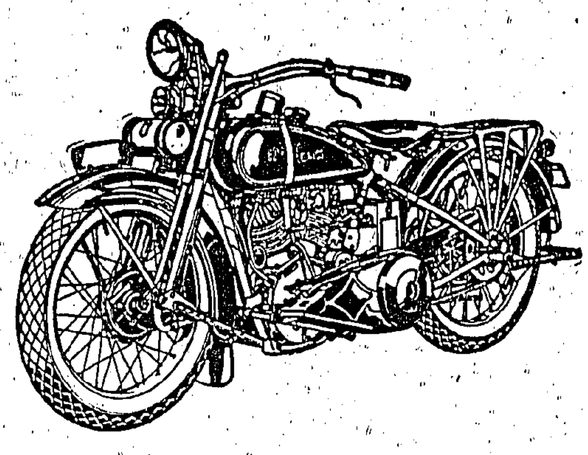
troubles I may meet,
There's one question I can't
answer, I admit it, like a
man, sir—
"Is traffic policemen's footwear
always built to fit their
feet?"
In a wise and airy manner, helped
by careless wave of
spanner,
I relieve the men who's troubles
break the bubbles of their
joys,
Diagnose the slapping piston,
quickly cure it, and insist on
My decisions being taken on the
merits of alloys.
I've an endless store of knowledge, as instructor, I'm a
college;
Yet one ignorance affrights me,
when I'm halted at cross-
street;
Risking quick assassination, I
think, lost in fascination,
How can they, so expertly,
standardise the size of feet.
This affair of soles expending is
a grievance of long standing,
It's a puzzle which would muzzle
me if someone asked me
why;
And would rouse, at least suspicion, leading, maybe, to
derision
Of my knowledge if when asked
it I could not at once reply.
Don't imagine that I'm jesting,
it's an answer that I'm
questing,
And I've quite made up my mind
to, should we meet upon his
beat,
O'er a friendly bowl of sherbert,
ask of Superintendent
Turbet,
"Do you choose police to fit their
boots or boots to fit their
feet?"

—MIKE R. O'METER.



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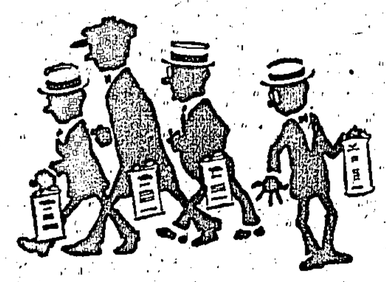

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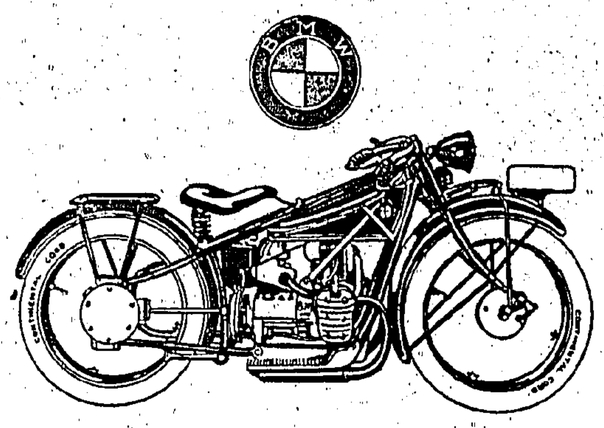

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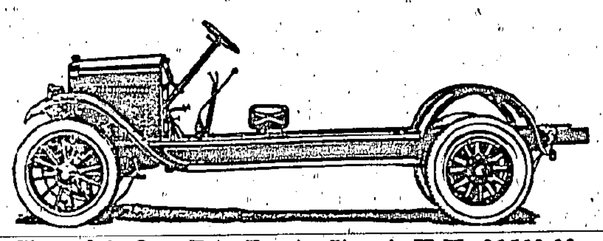

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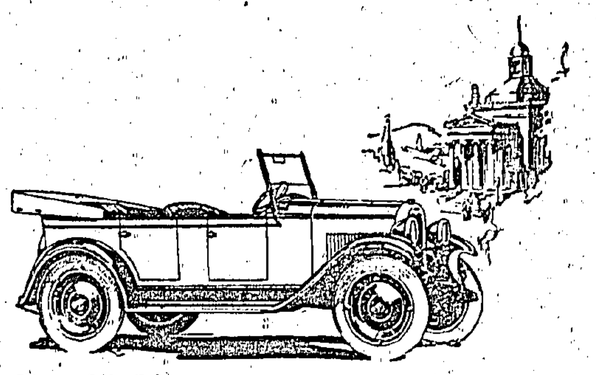

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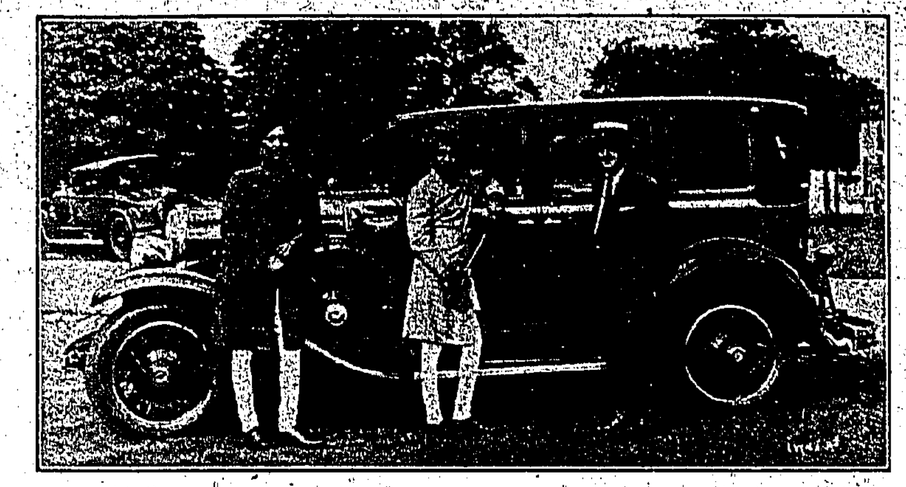

Sir Sajjah Singh, Maharajah of Ratlam, Central India (centre), in the United States with the British polo team, ordered a La Salle sedan with special body from Michael Katz, Cadillac-La Salle dealer of Port Chester, N. Y.

OLYMPIA'S APPEAL.

To Women Motorists.

ATTENTION TO COMFORT.

It was a motor world for women on the second day of the show at Olympia. With the sole exception of the sports car, manufacturers in all the nine countries contributing exhibits to the show seemed to have paid special consideration to ensure the comfort and please the eye of the feminine purchaser. There were large cars, small cars, cars of costly value, and cars priced to suit the limited pocket. There were gay cars and cars of sombre hue. The various stands were decorated with an eye to artistic effect to a degree that has never before been attempted at any previous show, while the lighting arrangements were so cunningly devised that the very best effects were secured in every part of the building.

Despite, however, the novelties and attractions displayed for their benefit among the large crowd of visitors that thronged the show, women were conspicuous by their absence, at any rate until a late hour in the afternoon. The few women who were there, however, were most business-like in making their choice of car, and displayed a knowledge of mechanical power, springing, and lighting that the mere man might well envy. Nor did I notice that cars of fancy colouring made any particular appeal to the fair sex it was rather those for the limitless pocket—the imposing car of quiet dignity and the lesser-priced ulitarian car—which commanded the most attention. It was rather surprising, however, to see a woman of more than middle age, with exquisitely coiffured white hair, testing the comfort of the driving seat of a high-powered open tourer, while at the next stand a young girl was somewhat diffidently inspecting the wheel and gear adjustments of a very small light car.

Caravan Homes.

The lure of the road and possibly the housing question were responsible for the crowds that gathered round the caravan homes, of which several are being shown, both as trailers and as coach-built motor caravans. In this section the improvements are noticeable on the exhibits of last year, from a home or holiday point of view, and those who from necessity or for pleasure adopt life on the road can find everything *de luxe*, both from a domestic and personal point of view.

It is difficult nowadays to suggest any particular car that is specially adapted for the woman driver, since women as readily drive a large, high-powered car as one of the light roadsters. Among the cars *de luxe* that attracted feminine attention may be mentioned the Sunbeam and Vauxhall, both of which were upholstered and fitted with a dainty elegance that no woman could overlook. A stand that attracted a crowding succession of visitors of both sexes, was that of the Morris Motors, where the new light six 1928 model was shown for the first time. It certainly has a particular fascination for the woman driver, not only from a mechanical point of view, but also from the ease of upkeep, the accessibility of all parts presenting an undoubted advantage for the woman who is responsible for her own road repairs, oiling, and general care.

Among the Novelties.

Among novelties, the observation car must not be forgotten, though its appeal to the woman driver will be rather doubtful. These cars are of two types, open and closed, the former being well protected by a rear screen, so that its passengers who sit back to the driver can defy the weather and enjoy an uninterrupted view of the country without being bothered by the vista of oncoming traffic. But, with all its attractions, the observation car will only find favour with those who can travel with their backs to the engine. (Alas! There are many of us for whom this position is a physical impossibility.) And though there are two seats beside the driver, there are three facing the other way, and the purchaser would have to be assured that his passengers could stand the test of a long ride under these circumstances.

Among the new gadgets is a windscreen-wiper that cleans the whole glass of the screen, instead of just the little necessary for the driver's vision. From every point of view, the new wiper will prove a boon, and especially to women, since who has not, on a bad day, had to jump out of the car and do a vigorous bit of glass-cleaning in order to gain a peep of the countryside? Of mascots there are weird and wonderful new designs to be seen at Olympia this year, but unfortunately all the fascinating minor novelties for the car are upstairs in the gallery, and so few women ever seem to make their way to this very interesting part of the show.

Interest in Tyres.

The interest generally displayed in the tyre exhibits was very noticeable yesterday. There were endless investigations as to the type that seemed most likely to defy a skid on a greasy road. Possibly the incessant rain of the past few months, which has rendered roads everywhere in a greasy condition, may account for this unusual interest in tyres, but I have certainly never seen so many people examining the rubber exhibits at any previous show. At the Firestone tyre stand very concise explanations were offered on the claim to non-skidding properties made for this particular type of tyre, which is gum-dipped, and the tread so patterned as to counteract in its various sections the propensity to skid.

Inquiry at various stands elicited the information that an unprecedented number of orders had already been placed, but it was noticeable especially among the women, that those would-be purchasers, unless they had come with a fixed intention of buying some particular car, made a very careful tour of the stands before coming to a definite choice. Everybody was very deliberate and made most minute examinations of cars they fancied, with the exception of one man whose time was possibly limited, but not that of his companion, who in woeful tones implored him not to be in such a hurry, as he had come there to get all the information he could.

ROYAL COMMISSION.

On London Parking Facilities.

The Automobile Association states that a Royal Commission has been appointed to inquire and report on the squares and similar open spaces existing in the area of the administrative county of London, with special reference to the conditions on which they are held and used, the desirability of their preservation as open spaces, to recommend whether any or all of them should be permanently safeguarded against any use detrimental to their character as open spaces, and if so, by what means and on what terms and conditions.

Realising the importance of parking places in London, the A.A. is desirous that the question of underground and other facilities should be fully considered by the Royal Commission. The necessary representations have already been made and will be given consideration at the next Meeting.

TWIN EIGHTS.

Bugatti's Racer.

GEARED CRANK-SHAFTS.

Paving the way towards the small, multi-cylinder engines of the future, Monsieur Ettore Bugatti is now experimenting with a 16-cylinder engine, with which he intends to attack world's speed records.

Construction is interesting, for it is actually a dual engine—two groups of eight cylinders, each complete with its own crankshaft. Crankshafts are united by gears, and this method may alter the present system of reducing final drive ratios to 6 and 7 to one in high-revving engines, for the reduction can be accomplished in the engine itself by making the driver pinion of greater diameter than the two crankshaft pinions.

Bugatti first produced the modern straight eights in 1915. These were sent to America, where the Duesenbergs applied the principles to racing cars and later to ordinary passenger vehicles, thus helping to spread the cult of the eight-cylinder motor.

DRIVING FATIGUE.

How Long Should One Drive Continuously?

Now that the causes of motor accidents are being investigated so closely, a question has arisen as to the advisability of fixing by law the safe maximum for one person to drive a motor vehicle continuously. The question was raised recently in the House of Commons by a member who remarked that drivers of ponderous commercial motor vehicles are sometimes required to be on duty more than 12 hours a day. This, he asserted, was a common practice and constituted a danger to other traffic.

The proposal to arbitrarily limit the period during which any one person should remain at the wheel, with suitable breaks for meals, may look reasonable at first sight, but, as the Minister of Transport pointed out, legislation on the subject could not be confined to commercial vehicles.

Moreover, there is evidence, furnished by long distance trials, that much more than 12 hours continuous driving for a fit man is not a prohibitive period.

TRADE BOOM.

General Motors Success.

General Motors produced 41% of all automobiles and trucks sold by the industry in the first half of 1927, according to a study of the company's operations just completed by Hornblower and Weeks, investment bankers. In 1924 the company's percentage was 16% as compared with 19% in 1925 and 28% in 1926. The analysis shows that in the past General Motors has disbursed dividends, including both regulars and extras, equal to about 60% of its earnings. If the new stock were placed on an annual basis of $5 a share the dividends plus extras which substantial sales would produce might equal $8 per share, equivalent to 60% of the year's estimated earnings of $14. At the current market price the yield would be about 7%.

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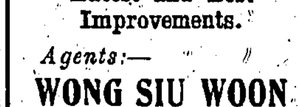

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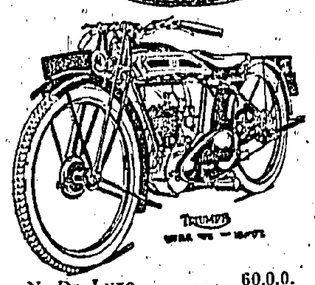

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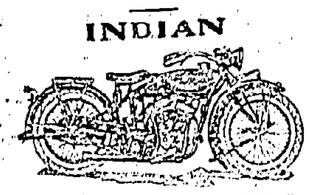

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HUNTING SHADOWS.

The Fetish of Fuel Consumption.

Ever since the earliest days of motoring purchasers have, very properly, clamoured for cars with low petrol consumptions, and, quite rightly, there is everything to be said in favour of accomplishing one's annual mileage on as small an outlay as possible, for spirit. Moreover, when a car is running economically as regards its fuel bill it is usually running efficiently. The engine may be relied upon to keep cool and to run for long periods without the necessity for the irksome business of decarbonisation.

But while petrol consumption, admittedly, is an important factor to the motorist—especially to the motorist of a moderate income—it is not by any means a dominant factor, and is certainly not deserving of the prominence of the wrong kind that it frequently receives.

In some ways the picture we so often encounter of a comparatively comfortably-off owner spending hours of his time in experimenting in order to gain, perhaps, a couple of miles a gallon is pathetic. Certain it is that if his time is worth anything at all he will have expended far more in his labour than he has saved in his petrol bill.

The writer believes that many motorists have a rather exaggerated idea of the importance of m.p.g., judging by the readiness with which the subject crops up as a topic of conversation when car owners are gathered together. It may be interesting, therefore, to quote a few figures showing precisely how a saving of 5 m.p.g. affects the running costs in average circumstances. This, actually, is a figure which few experimenters would attain as an improvement on existing consumption figures.

We will consider how it reflects on the exchequer of the man who knocks up an annual total of, say, 7,000 or 8,000 miles. This is an average which we may attribute to the majority of Morris owners who indulge in a short spin, say, twice a week and the usual run to the coast at the week-end, weather permitting. These figures are for a good season, that is to say, good as regards the weather; a succession of wet week-ends such as have blighted our alleged summer will, of course, bring the mileage down considerably.

We will assume that a man whose car normally does 30 miles to the gallon—perhaps owing to a flooding carburetter or an adverse jet setting—has its consumption reduced to 25 miles per gallon. This, it will be agreed, is a comparatively heavy loss—a fall (or a rise, if you prefer it that way in consumption equal to over 16 per cent.

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The saving in hard cash will depend upon a number of factors effecting the price one pays for petrol. It is now possible to buy fairly good fuel at 1s. a gallon, although most of us prefer, for the sake of uniformity, to patronise one of the better-known brands at 1s. 2½d. or 1s. 3½d., according to the district in which it is purchased. A useful average figure will be 1s. 3d. a gallon. Useful also because this sum represents one-sixteenth of a pound and, therefore, will simplify our calculations.

We shall realise that before we have spent or wasted at 25 m.p.g., as compared with the 30 m.p.g., a pound sterling, we shall have to run our bus 2,400 miles, a distance which takes most of us a matter of four months to cover.

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More remarkable still is the state of affairs we find extant when a prospective purchaser of a "small" car is presented, at prices that are very little different, with two different cars, one a very small car which will just seat two in comfort and another that has a chassis designed to carry a full load of four adults. Their respective performances in the matter of petrol consumption are 35-40 m.p.g. and 30-35 m.p.g.

Figure It Out.

Being an economical soul, Mr. P. Urchaser is vastly intrigued by the figures 40 m.p.g. and by the stress that is laid on them by the salesman of the Tiny Car—that is, until he works it out. Let us follow his figures. With the optimism peculiar to new buyers, and a pleasing faith in his own ability to drive any car so that it registers its maximum performance, he debates on the financial difference between 35 and 40 m.p.g. He computes, correctly, that to do 700 miles at 40 m.p.g. requires 17½ gallons of fuel; at 35 m.p.g. takes 20 gallons. That is to say, he saves one gallon every 280 miles. New 280 miles is a very fair distance for even a long week-end run, and is it, Mr. P. Urchaser may well ask himself, worth while saving 1s. 3d. to sit in comparative discomfort, to be shorn of power, and to be the butt of mild derision (be it ever so good humoured) on the part of his friends? The wise man answers "No!" in no uncertain voice. At this point fuel consumption, at present prices, becomes a fetish—nothing less. Even on the year's running of 8,000 miles the full-size small car, such as the Morris, only costs him 35s. more than the Tiny Car.

Admittedly, in the lower m.p.g. ranges consumption is important. A car that does 20 m.p.g. is vastly more economical than one that only does 15 m.p.g., but to sacrifice other qualities to improve on 30 m.p.g. is not worth while.

In the case of commercial travellers and others who use their cars for business purposes, and who may put up a mileage of 30,000, or even more, per annum, fuel consumption may be of vital importance, but to the average motorist it would seem that it is ever to be regarded as a very secondary consideration, and it is obviously never worth sacrificing hill-climbing abilities and speed to this little god who sets up his altar in the garage of so many owners.

WATCH YOUR LAMPS.

Good Headlights Essential.

[By Israel Klein.]

The car's headlights may have little or nothing to do with how she's running, but they are important factors in assuring comfort and safety for the passengers.

So it is essential that the headlights be kept properly focused and in good condition.

Tarnished reflectors, dirty lenses, burnt-out bulbs or poor contacts may be the cause of a serious accident.

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The first essential in securing good headlighting is to see that the lenses, reflectors and bulbs are in good shape.

The lenses should be taken out and cleaned thoroughly.

The reflectors should be polished with a thin solution of lampblack and alcohol, but extreme care should be taken that no scratch be left on its surface. Polishing should be by means of a light, circular motion and only in one direction.

Bulbs should be checked at the same time, so that they furnish their full candlepower. Sometimes insufficient brilliance of lamps may be due to an over or an undercharged battery or to poor contacts. Testing the battery and the lines to the headlights is the way to check on this.

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There is a fad in some parts of the country for the blue, or "daylight" type of headlight blubs. They are bought in the belief that they give more light and at the same time do not hurt the eyes of approaching drivers.

Both ideas are mistaken. The blue bulb has been found to give no more light than the clear bulb and yet use much more current from the battery. Tests have shown that clear bulbs are just as good in lighting the road as the blue lights, and in fact are even better in cases of fog or wet roads.

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Focusing of the lights is simple, especially since manufacturers have provided the easiest means to accomplish this.

Back of every headlamp is a screw, in most cases, or a knob or other sort of adjustment appliance. All that is needed is to back the car about 25 feet from a wall so that it stands on level ground and direct the lights at this wall—at night, of course.

A horizontal line should be drawn on the wall at the same height as the headlamps. The best assurance of proper headlighting would be filling the car in back with passengers. But where this can't be done, another horizontal line should be drawn about six to eight inches below the first, and the lights focused at this one.

The reason is that loading the car tips the lights upward and that the lowering of the lights in focusing compensates for this.

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Merely turning the screw or knock or other adjustment back of each lamp is enough to direct the beam into a sharp, wide light so that the top of it just reaches the lower horizontal line, if the car is empty, or the upper line if it is occupied.

It is just a matter of moving the bulb forward or backward, until it reaches the exact focal point of the headlamp.

BUICK SERVICE.

Reason for Great Success.

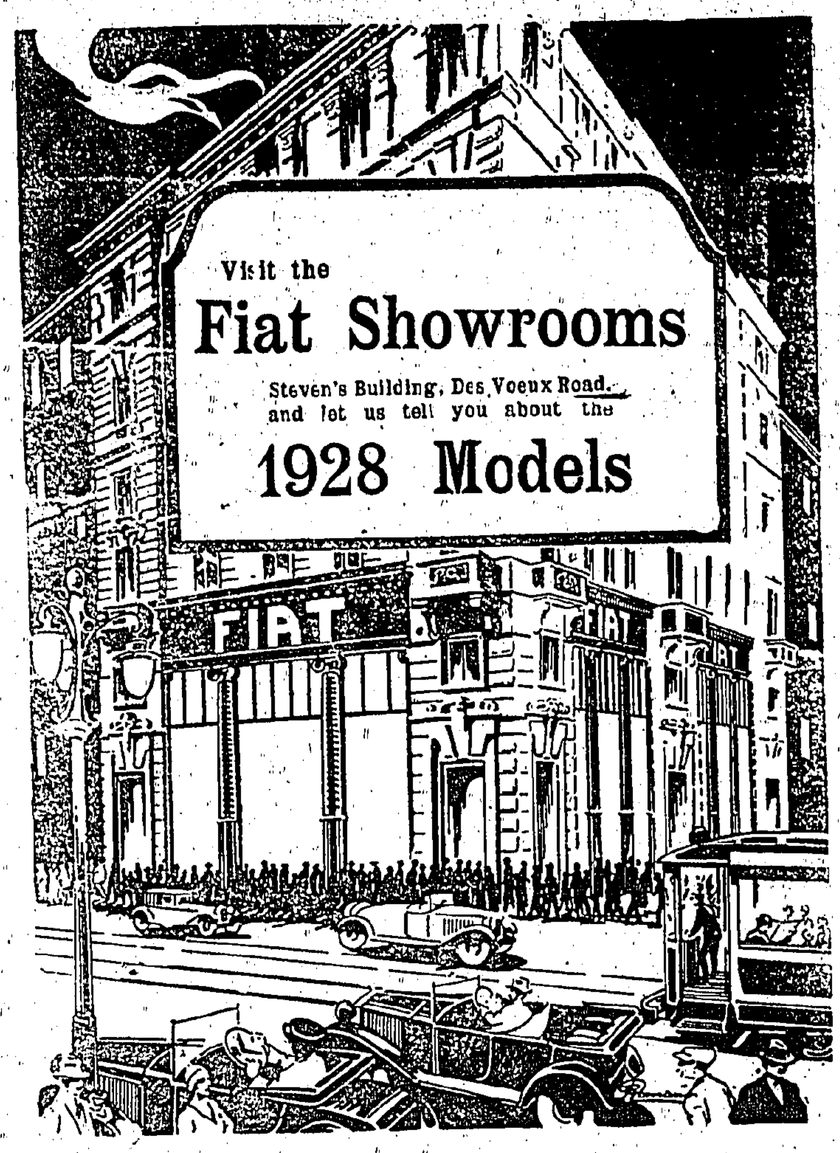
Coincident with the introduction of the new Buick for 1928, now on display at the rooms of General Motors confers upon the word "service," and the performance of service, the palm of honour for being responsible, to a large degree, for the constant growth of the legion of Buick owners for twenty-four years.

The second Buick was sold because the first Buick proved serviceable and represented in its day a good value for its cost. "In 1926 Buick was purchased by 280,009 motorists. When it is considered that Buick is not a cheap car, but a medium priced car, the total of Buick's 1926 sales is astounding.

In early days repair stations were scarce, and the word service meant simply the service the owner might expect from the car itself. Today Buick Service and repair stations are to be found throughout the whole world.

General Motors expresses in a one year warranty its confidence that every part of every Buick car will give the value and service that Buick intends the owner to receive. Under this warranty every part is warranted for a full year against defect of workmanship or material.

If, however, service attention is needed, Buick service is established everywhere throughout this territory, with specialized Buick shop equipment and trained Buick service men ready to keep the 1928 Buick and all Buicks in perfect operation condition at all times.



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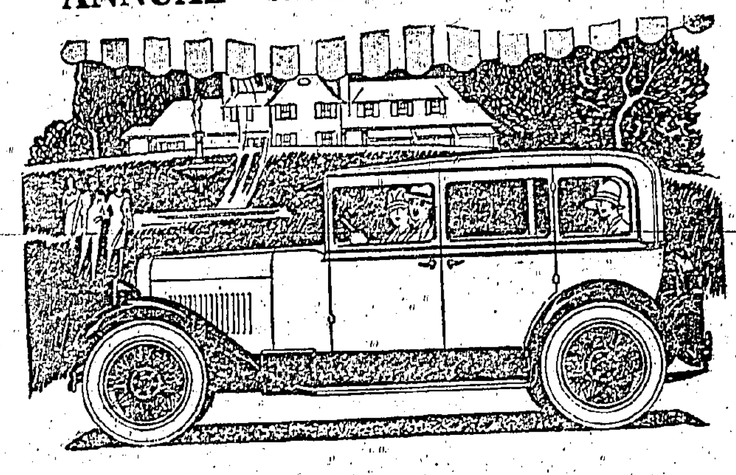

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Romford Magistrates' Decision.

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Two men in a sidecar were charged with the driver for not having a light. The driver pleaded guilty, but the other men argued that as they were only passengers they were not liable.

The chairman (Colonel Stones) said if a driver drove without lights and refused to put them on, the passengers should get out. It was their duty to see that no offence was committed.

The driver was find 30s. and the others concerned had to pay 8s costs each.

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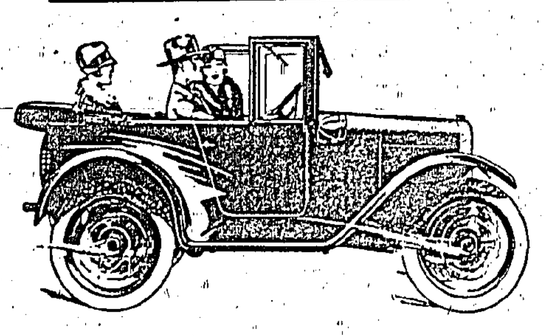

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CADILLAC CHIEF.

Noteworthy Administration.

Lawrence P. Fisher, who has just made the official announcement of the new Cadillac car, became president of the Cadillac Motor Car company slightly over two years ago, at that time being one of the youngest chief executives in the automobile industry. Under his administration, the company's business has more than doubled and cars has surpassed that in any like period in the company's history.

Four months after his arrival, the company brought out its then new car, the "314," which has proved eminently satisfactory. A year later the company embarked upon a manufacturing programme which included the most extensive line of body styles and colour and upholstery combinations ever undertaken by any automobile manufacturer. The programme included 50 body types and styles and 500 colour and upholstery combinations.

The organization's next step was in March of this year, when the LaSalle—companion car to Cadillac—manufactured entirely by the Cadillac company within its own plants was placed on the market. Its sales during its first six months have outrun sales for a like period of any new car in its price class since the beginning of the industry.

In his former capacity as vice-president of the Fisher Body corporation, Mr. Fisher was an important factor in the organization and management of the extensive Fisher industries. More recently he became a director, vice-president and member of the executive committee of the General Motors corporation. The incrediously rapid growth of the industries with which he is and has been connected have required that he be an active factor in the various phases of administration, finance, distribution and production. Yet he is primarily a manufacturing executive, and the emphasis which has been placed upon the design and construction of bodies for the company's two cars is chiefly due to his close affiliation with the Fisher body interests.

A KING'S CHOICE.

An Interesting Royal Car.

The King of the Hejaz and Nejd, is one of the late recruits to motoring. In view of the fact that a large proportion of his realms are sandy desert, with practically no roads, and often hundreds of miles between villages, it is obvious that there are but few cars, which would fulfil his requirements. He has, however, selected a 40/50 H. P. New Phantom Rolls-Royce, with a special body by Thrupp & Maberly Ltd., his order being entrusted to Rootes Ltd., of Devonshire House, Piccadilly, W. 1.

The Royal car has many unusual features. On each running board is a specially insulated 14-gallon tank for spare petrol or water. Between the occasional seats in the rear compartment is a large capacity filter for drinking water. Enormously powerful headlights are provided, together with a spot-light. Provision is made for two armed soldiers to stand, one on each running board, in which connexion special hand grips are mounted upon the pillars of the front windscreen.

An elaborate signalling apparatus is fitted so that His Majesty can give his instructions to the driver without leaving his seat.

The bodywork is novel in many ways, as a light steel structure supporting the doors and windows is so arranged that either, or both, of the forward and rear compartments can be opened or closed.

A tool-kit and spare parts equipment is carried answering to the fact that the car will generally be many hundreds of miles from any kind of garage.

SHIP'S GARAGE IS LATEST INNOVATION.

Now comes the marine automobile garage. It is part of the equipment of the electric ship California, newest of American liners, which was launched in the United States recently.

One hundred and forty autos can be carried in the California's garage. They are loaded, without hoisting, through side ports, run into a garage between decks, where owners may check them the same as at garages along American highway.

New York, Cuba, the Panama Canal and California are the new steamer's route, under the flag of the Panama-Pacific line of the International Mercantile Marine Company.

This latest American liner is a high water mark in the trade and passenger services fostered by the Panama Canal. Her tonnage 22,000 gross, the vessel is announced by the International Mercantile Marine Company as the largest commercial electric driven ship in the world, and the largest commercial liner ever built under the American flag. Her length is 601 feet, beam 80 feet, and depth of hull 52 feet, with eight decks.

PROTECTION FOR PEDESTRIANS.

Prague Sets an Example.

The rapid growth of motor traffic in Prague has made the streets quite unsafe for pedestrians, and the police, little versed in modern traffic conditions, find it difficult to cope with the situation. In these circumstances the public have taken matters into their own hands, and a society for the protection of pedestrians has now been formed with the object of enforcing the traffic regulations and of making proposals for "safeguarding the interests of foot-passengers.

Many well-known public men are on the committee, and it is expected that the movement will spread to other parts of the Republic. Besides aiming at the prevention of street accidents, the society will render financial or legal assistance to victims of motor traffic.

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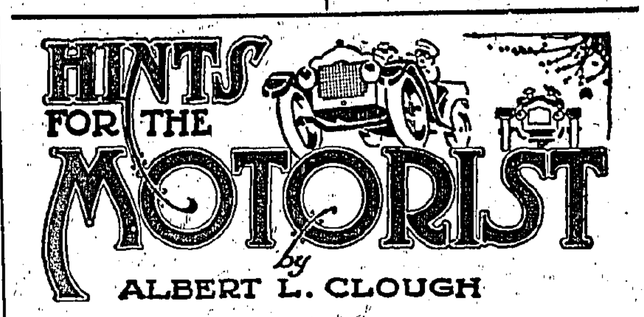
Instead of guessing at the air pressure in the tyres, or wondering, vaguely, who last borrowed the pressure-gauge, it should soon be possible to see how much air tyres are carrying at a glance.

This may be done by a permanent tyre gauge, invented in England. It is a small dial, which can be screwed on to any valve in a few minutes, and continuously registers the pressure. It has a second advantage, for it is constructed to allow a tyre to be pumped without the necessity of removing the gauge, so that registers every pound of air pumped in.

As it only weighs about 2 oz, it should not disturb the balance of the wheels.



WHEN THE CYLINDERS ARE FLOODED.

It is nearly as hard to make an engine fire its charges, when they contain altogether too much gasoline, in proportion to air, as when they contain too little or none at all and there may be such an excess of gasoline in the cylinders that no explosion can possibly occur.

Warm Engines Flood Readily.

Whatever causes a gross oversupply of gasoline to an engine may thus prevent it from being started, or stop it, if it is already running and especially if the cylinders are warm and therefore vaporize all the fuel which enters them, "flooding" is very readily brought about.

Careful With the Choke!

Closing the choke unnecessarily or keeping it closed too long is the commonest way in which engines become flooded. No choking should ever be required with a well warmed engine and it is very easy to flood a perfectly cold one, by protracted choking at starting.

The Flooding Carburetor.

If the carburetor is in trouble and overflows heavily, flooding may result, especially if it is mounted directly on the cylinder block. Shutting off the gasoline supply and cranking repeatedly is the best way to detect this, unless there is obvious dripping.

Deranged Vacuum-Tank.

Overflowing of its vacuum-tank may flood an engine almost immediately. If on removing the tank filling-plug or detaching the main tank pipe and cranking, the stalled engine starts, this defect is probably present.

Shifting From High to Second.

Question: It is very hard to shift the gears of my —— car from high to second speed. Can you give me any hints on this subject?

Answer: Try speeding up your engine slightly, just as you try to make this shift and do not throw out the clutch any more than enough to actually release it. You may find that this helps. The best way of making this shift, however, is as follows: Release clutch, throw gear shift lever from high to neutral re-engage clutch, speed up engine enough to correspond to speed of car, release clutch, move gearshift lever into second speed quickly and re-engage clutch. This procedure is known as "double- clutching" and is not nearly so difficult as it sounds. A little practice enables one to make this difficult shift almost instantly and without a sound, at almost any reasonable rate of speed.

Where is This "Ruh."

Question: When riding along slowly, I notice a rubbing sound from some part of my —— car. When I disengage the clutch, this noise is not so loud. I have tried loosening the brakes, oiling different parts and adjusting the clutch, but this has not removed the noise. What do you think causes it?

Answer: If this rubbing sound occurs each time the rear wheels turn, it is probably due to one of the brake-drum edges touching some stationary part of the brake rigging. Have someone push the car slowly along the garage floor, while you watch the brake-drums closely and see whether one of them does not touch or run too near some other part. If you find anything like this, it is probably caused by loose axle bearings. In case the rubbing noise is not in the rear end, please write us again, giving the best information you can as to its location.

Backlash in Drive System.

Question: When my —— car is coasting, I notice a constant jerking and vibration from the rear-end and, upon inspection, I discovered that the drive-shaft housing near the universal-joint, has about ¾ inch play. Should this lost motion be present and, if not, how can it be removed?

Answer: It is not quite clear to us, from your description, just what your trouble is, but we understand that there is end-play of the slip-joint at the front end of the drive shaft. If this is correct, the rear springs and their bearing on the rear-axle probably require attention, as the positioning of the entire rear-end depends upon these springs and their attachments. If you will jack up the rear wheels, you may find the rear-axle housing loose in its bearings on the rear springs or that these springs have loosened in their clips or in their supports on the frame. When the engine is pulling hard there would naturally be enough tractive effort being transmitted to take up the lost motion positively, but in coasting there would be a chattering effect such as you describe. Lost motion should be eliminated at once.

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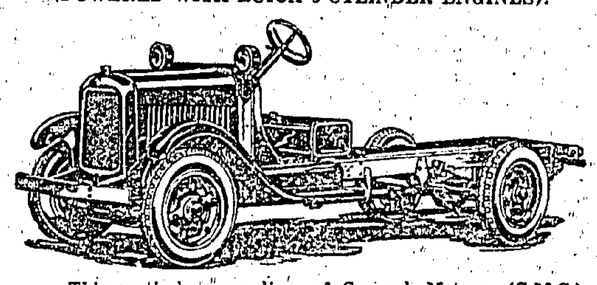

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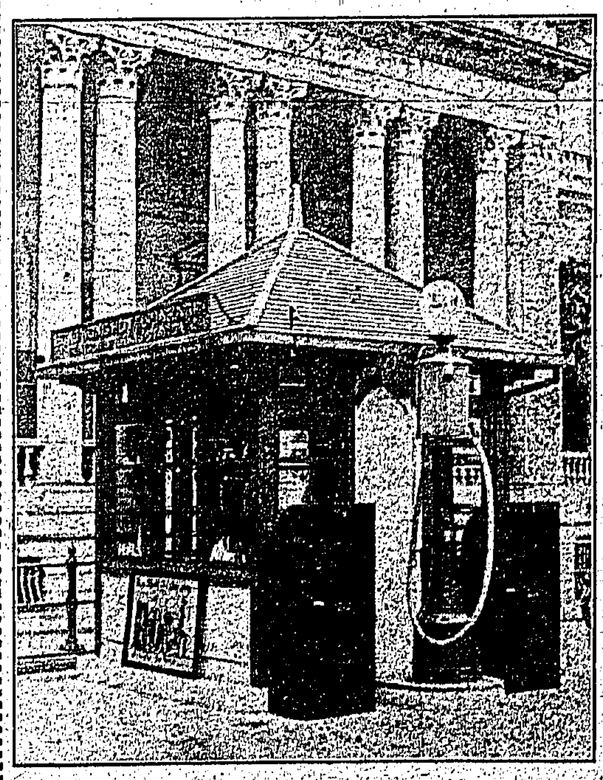

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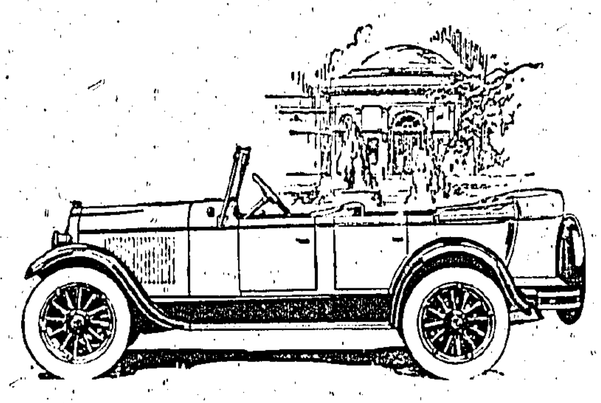

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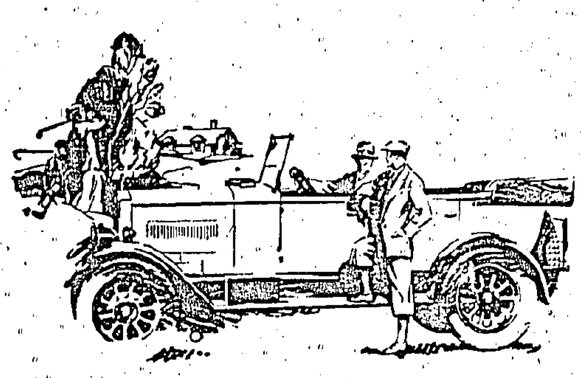

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Not infrequently the Britisher is accused of offering rather a cold welcome to the stranger within his gates. He is, perhaps, temperamentally less able to give an impression of heartiness than are members of certain other nations, but it does not at all follow that he is any the less anxious to do everything he can for his visitors.

In the case of the British Motor Industry, a real organised effort is being made to offer every possible kind of assistance to motor traders visiting Great Britain. With this end in view, the British Manufacturers' Section of the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders is establishing a centre or club for the free use of motor traders from Overseas.

Suitable accommodation has been secured at 21, Northumberland Avenue, London, W.C. 2. This position is, of course, extremely central and conveniently situated from the point of view of hotels, theatres, etc. It is for another and, from the point of view of Empire Trade, more important reason peculiarly suitable for this particular purpose.

The premises are in a building owned by and connected with the Royal Colonial Institute, to which there is direct access by way of the Institute's newspaper room, in which are regularly displayed practically all the leading daily papers, and periodicals of the British Empire Overseas.

Next to the newspaper room is an equally comprehensive library of publications of all kinds dealing with all parts of the British Empire.

Comforts of a Club.

For the rest, the Royal Colonial Institute offers all the comforts of a West End Club, with the sole exception of bedroom accommodation, which, after all, having regard to its position adjacent to so many of the leading hotels, is a matter of minor importance.

Any bona fide motor trader visiting Great Britain is entitled to honorary membership of the Overseas Motor Traders' Club.

If he is qualified, that is to say, if he is of British nationality, the British Motor Industry will, immediately on his arrival, arrange for him to be put up for election by the Council of the Royal Colonial Institute without delay, paying any necessary fees on his behalf in the event of his election as a Fellow of the Institute.

If and when he is elected, he can use the Institute freely.

There he can lunch, dine, play billiards or bridge, meet and entertain his friends, and keep in touch with the news of his own part of the Empire through the columns of his own local papers.

The special premises provided for the members of the Club as their private preserves are open to Overseas motor traders of all nationalities.

Present Aims.

In the first instance, the premises do not need to be extensive; for the present they aim at nothing more than the provision of accommodation for motor traders from Overseas who wish to conduct business interviews, read the technical papers, write letters; make use of the telephone, or get little services rendered them, either of a business or of a social character.

If, however, the Club is found to fill a really serious and considerable need, the necessary extensions will be undertaken later.

Any motor trader intending to visit Great Britain this autumn is advised to write to the Manager of the Overseas Motor Traders' Club, 21, Northumberland Avenue, London, W.C. 2, stating the approximate date of his arrival.

If he wishes hotel accommodation to be booked on his behalf, an exact date should be given and also a clear indication of what he is prepared to pay for his accommodation.

The management of the Club will then make the necessary reservation on his behalf, booking his room only for the shortest possible time, so that if on arrival he finds that it is not just what he requires he is in no way tied to it. Visitors who have no permanent address in London to which letters can be addressed may use the Club for this purpose.

Many Advantages.

Subsequently during their stay in Great Britain all that it is necessary for them to do is to keep the management of the Club informed as to their whereabouts, when all letters and other communications will be promptly forwarded to their address for the time being.

In some cases, visitors will find the Club useful for putting them into touch with the right officials of any motor manufacturers whose works they wish to visit, and for making the necessary appointments on their behalf by letter or telephone.

The Club will also be available, without charge, to Overseas motor traders for the purpose of dictating letters. The services of experienced shorthand typists will be provided, without charge; thus, the Overseas British trader who has, let us say, dictated some business letters in the course of a morning, can go across to the Royal Colonial Institute for his lunch and return later in the afternoon to find his letters all ready for signature, and if it is inconvenient to the visitor to return to the Club to sign his letters when they have been typed, they will be promptly forwarded to his address for signature.

The above will give a fair indication of the purposes for which this Club is being established, but necessarily does not define all the uses that may be made of it. Broadly speaking, the idea is to do everything possible to make the visitor feel at home on his arrival, and to assist him in every way in which he may require assistance during his stay.

EXPORT RECORD.

General Motors Gain.

A new export record was established by General Motors Corporation during the first six months of 1927. The shipments to overseas dealers totaled 92,452 cars and trucks compared with 63,797 in the first half of 1926, an increase of 44.9 per cent.

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That is the history of the oiling of chassis bearings; and now another system has been invented, whereby the owner simply puts oil into a tank and forgets it.

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The rougher the road, the greater the play of the valve and the more oil sent to the bearings when they most need it.

Something similar has been attempted with a shackle bolt fitted with a ball valve and fed from oil cups; but by that system the continuous supply of oil was not assured.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS.

Sound Operates Lights.

A device which automatically gives police and fire apparatus the right of way through congested traffic districts has been tried out in Cleveland, U. S. A.

H. E. Witwer, the inventor, makes use of the vibration from the warning horn or siren of fire apparatus to switch the traffic light at the street intersection to green in the direction that the apparatus is driving.

A sound receiver is placed at the side of the street a distance from the traffic light. When the apparatus approaches the receiver and sounds its siren the instrument connected with the traffic light automatically lights the green right-of-way signal.

The horn or siren, set at a definite pitch, gives a determined number of vibrations. The receiver, sensitive only to these vibrations, will not act when a noise of any other vibration is sounded.

Four receivers are used on principal intersections so that official cars driving in any direction will have the advantage of an open road. In case two cars are travelling in different directions the one which sounds its horn first gets the advantage of the green light while the other is forced to obey the red stop light, eliminating the danger of a collision.

The sound receivers are placed far enough from the interesection so that there is time for the signal to show an amber caution light before making the change from red to green.

SERVICE STATIONS GAIN.

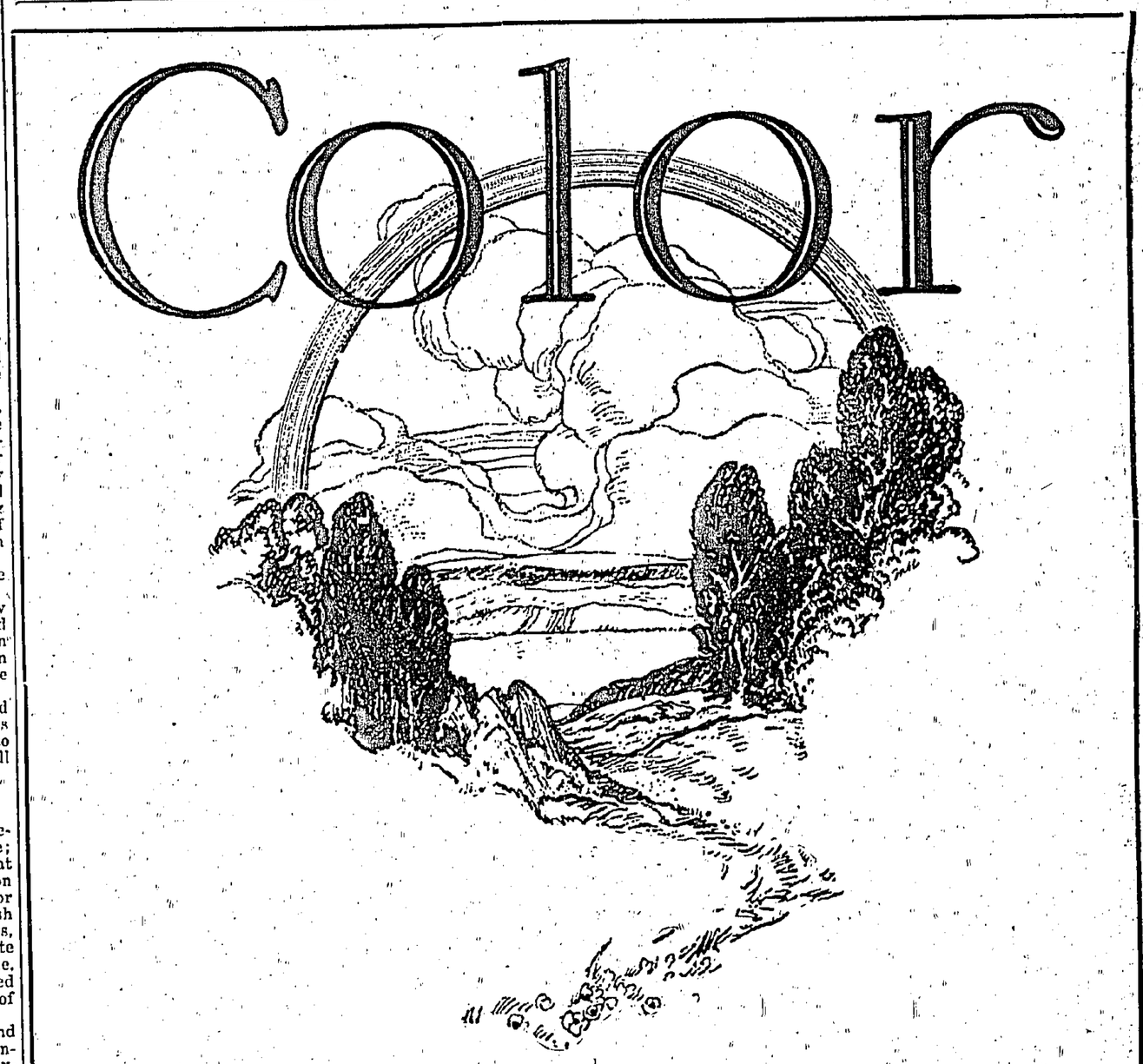
According to the Automotive Equipment Association, 88,000 automobile service stations in the United States installed nearly a billion dollars' worth of parts and service supplies last year. This would make the average earning for each station more than $10,000.

MOTORIST'S NIGHT-MARE.

On the Bilegg road in Sumatra, a stretch of about 1,000 miles, 1,000 hairpin curves are found within a space of 45 miles.

AUTOMOBILES INCREASE.

Automobiles in Great Britain now total 1,756,000. This is an increase of 176,000 over the total of last year.



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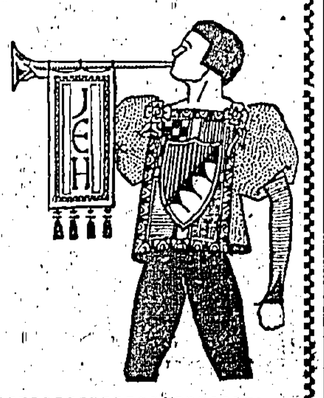

WITH THE STARS OF HOLLYWOOD.

A NEW SUCCESS PREDICTED. VERSATILE BANCROFT.

Hollywood: Jeanne Eagels, star of "Rain," will be a success on the silver sheet. That prophecy is made because of the way the famous stage star descended upon Hollywood.

The majority of prominent stage folk who are lured here by the cry of movie gold come with the attitude that they know it all and they are going to show the green westerners how pictures should be made. As a result, most of them soon return to the stage.

Miss Eagels followed an entirely different course. She didn't insist that she should be starred in her very first production—stardom would come later. Instead, she signed as John Gilbert's leading lady in "Fires of Youth."

I don't know anything about pictures," She told her director. "So it will be up to you to tell me what I must do." She started to work with an attitude of really trying to learn.

I talked to Miss Eagels shortly after she established her headquarters at the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer studios.

"I have no doubt about my acting ability," declared the blond actress. "My success on the stage has given me confidence along that line at least. But the technique of playing before a camera is entirely different from that used on the stage. In the first place, one must use entirely different make-up for the kleigs than for footlights.

From Part to Part.

"And then there is a difference in the acting itself. On the stage you do the same thing night after night and improve with each performance. But here we go through a scene three or four times, then forget it and go on to something else. I really don't get a chance to learn my parts at all, but must act entirely by direction.

"Another difference is that on the stage a person's exact position is not vitally important. If you are in approximately the right spot it is all right. But in front of a camera, especially for close-ups, you can't be even a fraction of an inch out of position. And you must be far steadier because the camera will detect things an audience won't.

Miss Eagels will return soon to New York for a winter's stage engagement. Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer officials already are angling for her services again next summer, however.

Rapid Eminence.

New York: Movie fans who like to keep track of personalities may take this tip as deserving particular attention.

Keep your eyes on George Bancroft. He has stepped into eminence rapidly even if not meteorically, and his future seems a hundred times more assured than that of the "finds" of beauty contest winners and junior stars who are introduced to sudden fame with a thunderous ballyhoo.

Bancroft served a solid stage apprenticeship in drama and musical comedies and has been making pictures for several years. With the over night success of "Underworld," he was raised to the rank and dignity of a "star," and what is more important, given a new, long-term and juicier contract. It has been announced now that his first starring role will be in the film version of Joseph Conrad's "Victory."

The first announcements of "Underworld" mentioned Bancroft several names down in the list of featured players. But he ran away with the picture, making his part bigger than any scenarist or director had realized. His characterization of the berserk, bullying, misguided and nevertheless wistful thug certainly was the dominating factor in the surprising success of the picture. And the producers were quick to play him up in their announcements.

Bancroft has been described already as the "smiling villain." He can kick a persistent beggar down the steps or shoot a policeman and burst into the most infectious chuckle—not a leer of brutality but a flash of exuberant vitality.

The versatility of the man seems headed for a test in the character of Heyst, which he is to have in the Conrad story. Unless the movies do their worst—as often they do, in adapting and twisting a novel to their purposes—the character will be a contemplative, cultured adventurer in solitude, whose inhibitions keep him from ever quite breaking loose. Bancroft's fires will have to do some very subtle smoldering to make Heyst commanding in the films.

But he already has shown a wide range. Although a native-born easterner, he has entered the pictures as a westerner. He started the "smiling villain" tradition in the "Pony Express," and was one of the principal comedians in "Old Ironsides." The executives cast him for straight comedy in the forthcoming "Tell It to Sweeney," and then after looking at "Underworld" decided he must be a heavy again. He may have it in him to be a Hamlet.

Companies at War.

Cedar City: This city was very much in the news a few weeks ago because of some kind of a war between two movie companies. It seems that Edwin Carewe and Al Rogel arrived here about the same time and both claimed the same location spot about 12,000 feet up in the mountains.

The cause of the whole thing might well be laid at the feet of Jack Dempsey and Gene Tunney. Everyone in both companies was sore because there was no chance of them getting back to Chicago to donate some forty dollars each to Tex Rickard. So they decided to stage their own private scrap. They even pulled the sheriff into it. At least press reports stated that the sheriff had to exercise his official authority to bring about peace between the movie warriors.

I couldn't learn of any casualties upon arriving here, however.

Much has been written about how the movie folk make snow pictures in sweltering weather. But up here it is just the opposite. Al Rogel is shooting drouth scenes for "The Shepherd of the Hills." Just as he was in the middle of a scene where everything was supposed to be dying from the heat a few days ago, snow started to fall.

Hollywood directors could learn a lot about "location lunches" up here. I say "up" because we are up in the mountains. The usual meal served on location trips consists of a box lunch. Both Carewe and Rogel are serving their companies hot lunches every day. The meal I just finished at Carewe's "Ramona" camp was better than anything the cinema village has to offer.

There's a red-cap porter here who is the chief entertainer for the entire film aggregation. I have never seen a porter one-tenth as industrious. He just about runs the train—which goes from here to the main line—single handed. He handles all of the baggage and the mail, sells tickets, gives the engineer the starting signal, keeps the cars—both of them—clean, and looks after the comfort of the passengers. Whenever things get dull, all we have to do is to drop down to the railroad station and watch that porter work.

If there ever was a game trouper, Rita Carewe is it. One of the sequences in "Ramona" was shot on a high cliff which could be reached only by a narrow trail. Eddie Carewe had arranged to have Rita and Dolores Del Rio carried up the hillside while the rest of the company rode horses.

"I don't want to be carried up there, dad," declared Rita. "Save that hundred dollars and I'll take a chance on a horse."

But she didn't get her own way.

NURSE DANIELS CASE CLOSED.

FOREVER OR UNTIL OCT. 11, 1937?

Boulogne judicial authorities have closed their present inquiry into the mysterious death of the English nurse, May Daniels, who disappeared on October 6, 1926, and whose body was found four months later on a lonely field near Boulogne.

As already reported, the Boulogne magistrates asked Miss McCarthy, who was Nurse Daniels companion on last October's excursion to Boulogne, to come over and give precise information on the trip.

Miss McCarthy declined to come and the British authorities declined to exert pressure to further the French magistrate's wish.

Returning from a holiday, M. Monmessin, the investigating magistrate, had a conference today with the Public Prosecutor. They decided to end their investigations.

In a conversation I had with him, M. Monmessin said: "We have taken this decision on account of the lack of co-operation on the part of the British authorities. We have done all we possibly can.

"If the British authorities are not interested in clearing the mystery which surrounds the tragic death of this Englishwoman we are very sorry, but we cannot help it. On this side of the Channel we have done our duty."

According to the French law, however, the case will remain open for possible further inquiries for 10 years and one day from to-day. But only if new evidence or facts come to light will the French judicial authorities take fresh action.

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LACK OF THE HUMAN TOUCH.

INSIPID CHRISTIANS.

This is another extract from the forthcoming book by the Rev. H. R. L. Sheppard, entitled, "The Impatience of a Parson." It is the third we have given.

Doubtless the outstanding contribution which Jesus Christ made to religion was His belief in the goodness and availability of God Who was to Him and to all men in the relationship of a Father.

The first task that confronted Jesus Christ was that of liberating men from the fear of God to which they were under bondage. He had to destroy the current conception of God as someone who needed perpetually to be propitiated and whose judgments were so capricious that no man could tell what they might be.

If once we ceased to argue about God and accepted Him as our Father, there would be nothing left except to obey Him—that is, to trust God and to trust mankind—and that is what the world will not and does not even wish to do.

For an individual to be involved in treating God as if He were a Father and his neighbour as if he were a brother is to exact from him every conceivable virtue that Christianity can demand. To love God and to love your neighbour as yourself is the beginning and end of the Christian religion. We have only to pause for a moment to think in what that would involve us to realise how hard it is for men to be Christians and how much easier it is to make Christianity some sort of a philosophy rather than a definite commitment to a certain kind of life.

The Way and the Life.

It were better to declare the Throne of God empty than to set back upon it the tyrant God whom Jesus Christ dethroned. It is Christians and not Jesus who have made and still make God a punisher.

I am afraid that however much we may desire to avoid a difficult situation, it is impossible to escape the fact that the principles contained in the Sermon on the Mount are the actual marching orders for a citizen of the Kingdom of God. Alas, that they have never yet been tried, at least by the Christian Institution.

Until August of 1924 it was our habit, to admire the moral standards contained in the Sermon, but to laugh at the few people who were foolish enough to say that they were the standards not only which Christ ordained, but which the world must live by if it would save both its soul and its body. We excused ourselves from obeying the teaching of Christ by suggesting that however admirable were His precepts, they were entirely unpractical—a world could not be run on His lines. Did not all our great people tell us so? If they did not say so in as many words, at least they based all their advice and legislation on standards that were a direct negation of Christ's teaching. And what has happened? Has the Galilean proved a false prophet, or have we who claim to be Christians not only been false to His teaching but false to the best interests of our world?

Granted the Way of Christ is incredibly difficult, is it not possible that it is a more hopeful way than the way down which the prominent people would direct us and which, as a matter of fact, under their guidance has involved us in living within an extraordinarily uncomfortable world that goes bumping, like something out of control, from the edge of one catastrophe to the edge of another?

The Churches must commit themselves body and soul to this adventure, or confess their apostasy and become mere refuges for those who desire to escape from contact with actual life.

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OUR NEW SERIAL STORY.

MAKE SURE OF READING IT.

In next Monday's issue of the *Telegraph* will appear the first instalment of our new serial story, by Allen Upward, entitled "The House of Sin," which we have secured for exclusive publication in this part of the world.

The author, who is a barrister-at-law, has had a most interesting career. Having won high legal honours during the course of his training, he fought as a volunteer in the Greco-Turkish War of 1887; was British Resident in Northern Nigeria in 1901; and was on a mission to Macedonia in 1907 and 1908. When the Great War broke out he volunteered for service at the front as a Scoutmaster and received the thanks of the General Commanding.

Later, he became Headmaster of Inverness College, and in recent years has been an interesting writer of reminiscences and romances, all of which have secured immediate popularity. The story we have obtained for our readers is fully up to the high standard he has already set.

Readers should make a point of getting a copy of the *Telegraph* on Monday.

LAD'S REVENGE.

ATTEMPTS TO BURN STALL.

As an act of vengeance for his dismissal two days previously, a 16-year-old Chinese attempted to destroy the stall of the licensed hawker of an unnumbered hut in Shaukiwan, during the early hours of yesterday morning. On the plot to burn the stall being discovered, the lad was arrested and was this morning charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell with attempting maliciously to damage the stall.

Inspector Murphy informed his Worship that the defendant had been previously employed by the complainant and was dismissed from his service on Wednesday last. At midnight on Thursday, a contractor's foki was passing the stall on his way home when he noticed a basket on fire. The complainant, was aroused by a noise outhis hut. On investigating the cause, he discovered the defendant in the act of applying a match to his stall. As soon as the accused saw the complainant emerge, he ran away but was arrested later in the day in Sai Wan Ho.

When asked by the Magistrate if he was trying to get his revenge, the defendant replied in the affirmative.

His Worship sentenced him to twelve strokes of the cane.

NEW AERIAL DEVICE.

"SLOT" WING TESTED.

London, Nov. 18.

Sir Samuel Hoare, Secretary for Air, made a test flight at Crickle-wood Aerodrome in a Bristol fighter machine fitted with the new slot device invented by Handley Page to prevent stalling.

Air Vice-Marshal Sir Sefton Brancker, Chief of the Civil Aviation Department, has already flown in a machine equipped with the device and, it is stated, he was favourably impressed.

It is claimed that the invention will render any machine perfectly safe. When the plane loses speed and the nose drops slightly, the slots come into action automatically and the machine is thus given sufficient wing resistance surface to keep it on a level keel in the air.—*British Wireless.*

Suffering from stab wounds inflicted by another man, a Chinese was taken to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday from Cross Street, Wanchai.

A BACKWATER.

HANGCHOW LIVING AS USUAL.

COMMUNISM APPEARS.

It is always an augury of good, said a native of Hangchow, when we see the Mint belching out smoke and the hooter hurrying the operators to their regular shifts. A consignment of new locomotives and some rolling stock, I hear, for the Shanghai-Hangchow Railway, is under way, writes the Hangchow correspondent of the *North-China Daily News*. This is a good sign, remarked a business man. The railway service, to and from Shanghai, is well ordered these days, and the time table is kept almost to the minute. The trains are crowded and the conversation of the passengers, for the most part, centres around the weary struggle which fills their daily lot with anguish and dismay. There is certainly a deep longing for a time of peace which it is hoped will usher in a period of commercial stability. Notwithstanding the varying fortunes of the political and military scramble, the Hangchow Public Works Department steadily carries on its scheme of city improvement. The new bridge over the picturesque stream in the Tartar City is nearing completion and the roads, in general, are kept in good order.

Outlook on Foreigners.

Quite a number of foreigners are visiting this old time capital. The presence of "the man from the West" calls forth some very unsavoury remarks from certain sections of the populace. At times, one is met with a glaring look of surprise which carries with it a challenge to your right of entrance. The more genteel take an oblique glance which leaves you in doubt as to the line of thought the observer is pursuing as he confronts a representative of a so-called Imperialist country.

Soldiers are not so conspicuous as in former months. A great exodus has taken place, but recruiting is going on apace. Day by day streams of young life are being poured into the various channels of military activity. Young enthusiasts who are joining up at this juncture, will certainly have to endure great hardship, for apart from the daily ration, practically nothing more can be guaranteed, and many are even without the necessary bedding.

The Ihsing Communists.

The Communist rising in the Ihsing, and other areas, is widely discussed. The hand of the assassin is busy here also. The other day, a student was foully done to death and an attempt on the life of a small official left him in a precarious condition. Quite a number of arrests have been made, especially amongst the young people, and both men and women are being brought to justice. The police authorities seem determined to stamp out any Bolshevist rising and apparently have the situation well in hand. New posters are out exhorting the people, merchants and the scholars to be of one mind and destroy this "Red" enemy in their midst. A newspaper office and printing works has just been officially sealed, charged with the crime of secretly printing literature for the Communist Party.

It is interesting to note the military precautions which are now being taken to suppress and root out any element of lawlessness which dares to assert itself. The railway stations are specially guarded and at various stops, the armed guard parades the train on a tour of inspection.

The Publicity Department of the Provincial Government is now launching a new series of black posters, painted with white characters. Tang Seng-chi, and the Hankow clique, come in for some scurrilous criticism. One large announcement calls upon the people to establish the new revolutionary party of Chekiang.

The collection of the two months' house rent is proceeding with a certain amount of briskness. Rental agreements have to be renewed and it is understood that the tenants in future, will have the right to lodge a complaint should the landlord hint at any attempt to raise the price of rent.

"WANTED" AMERICAN OFFICIAL.

SOME FURTHER DETAILS.

The *Manila Bulletin*, referring to the desired apprehension of an American official named Kearns, says:

An international alarm has been broadcast and police authorities in the ports throughout the Orient have been furnished with descriptive notification for the apprehension of G. Kearns, who is alleged to have disappeared from Shanghai early this month with funds of the American Consulate General in that city. Kearns was the disbursing officer for the Consulate.

The American consular authorities in Shanghai have communicated with the office of the governgeneral in Manila requesting that a close look-out be kept for the absconding man.

According to information, Kearns was last seen in Shanghai on November 5, and was thought to have taken passage on the President Grant when that vessel made its trip to Hongkong and Manila. It was, however, later revealed that while a ticket had been purchased for that liner under the name of Kearns, the latter had not been found on board during the vessel's trip, and the belief was entertained that the absconding officer had escaped from China on another vessel.

The exact shortage could not be definitely ascertained at the time th alarm was sounded, as auditing of the books had just commenced when he disappeared from Shanghai. It is, however, estimated to come up to a large figure.

Kearns, according to information, is around the age of 34 years, of a pleasant personality, exceptionally intelligent in appearance, but of an ordinary carriage. He is a man of average height, and modest in his dress.

TROTSKY SHOT?

REPORT NOT CONFIRMED.

London, Nov. 14.

The *Daily Mail's* Berlin correspondent says a report is current there that Leon Trotsky has been assassinated.

Messages from Moscow and Leningrad report the same, but no official confirmation has been received.

SHELL DIVIDEND.

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The Chartered Bank has received the following telegram from its Head Office in London:

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NEW SULTAN OF MOROCCO.

LATE RULER'S THIRD SON.

Fez, Nov. 18.

Sidi Amada, the third son of the late Sultan of Morocco, Mulai Youssef, has been proclaimed Sultan.—*Reuter.*

TOO MUCH OPIUM.

MAGISTRATE REVISES FINE.

A Chinese was charged before Major C. Willson this morning with being in possession of five more taels of Government prepared opium than are permitted by the Ordinance.

The charge was an unusual one, and was the first to be brought up before the Court for many years.

Mr. F. E. Loseby, in appearing for the defendant, stated that it was admitted that the defendant bought the drug from a Government dealer without knowing the limitation set by Government on the amount of these purchases.

Major Willson imposed a fine of $1,000.

Mr. Loseby pointed out that bail which had been allowed to the defendant, amounted to only $100.

This small bail reflected the Government view of the offence, which was not often brought before the Courts.

Senior Revenue Officer George Watt said his Worship had imposed a penalty which was only inflicted in the more serious cases of possession of non-Government opium.

His Worship thereupon reduced the penalty to $100, saying that he had misunderstood the position.

His Worship also made the confiscation order applicable to only five taels of opium, the amount the defendant had in excess.

"OUR CABARET" AT THE STAR.

THREE POPULAR WEEK-END PROGRAMMES.

Three first rate new programmes are being presented at the Star Theatre by Mr. Charles Chamier's London vaudeville company, the New Our Cabaret, during the week-end and Monday.

To-night, the programme to be presented is called "A La Carte" and promises to equal and perhaps better those that have already been given. Included is a sketch entitled "The Wedding Ring," which was one of the most successful items of the London Co-Optimists.

A new revue entitled, "Here and There," will be on view to-morrow night, and the season here will be closed on Monday with "Pot Pouri," which will present the most popular items in its repertoire.

Last night the Company repeated their programme entitled "Honi Soit" with great success. Humour, music, dancing, and singing were pleasantly intermingled and the audience showed their appreciation in no uncertain manner.

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

TO-DAY'S QUESTIONS.

The following general knowledge paper has been taken from the *Daily Express*.

Answers, for those who need them, will be found on Page 18 of this issue.

1. *Who was Heraclitus?*
2. *What is a "Decree Nisi"?*
3. *When and where was Gainsborough born?*
4. *What is a jackaroo?*
5. *What islands are known as (1) "The Pearl of the Eastern Seas"; (2) The Apple Land of the South"; (3) "Ellan Vannin"?*
6. *What is the origin of the name "Fascisti"?*
7. *What is a martingale?*
8. *Explain the term "Posto restante."*
9. *What is meant by the phrase, "According to Cocker"?*
10. *What are the Pillars of Hercules?*
11. *What is a greenroom?*
12. *What is the meaning of (a) Verbatim, (b) Stet, (c) Festina lente?*

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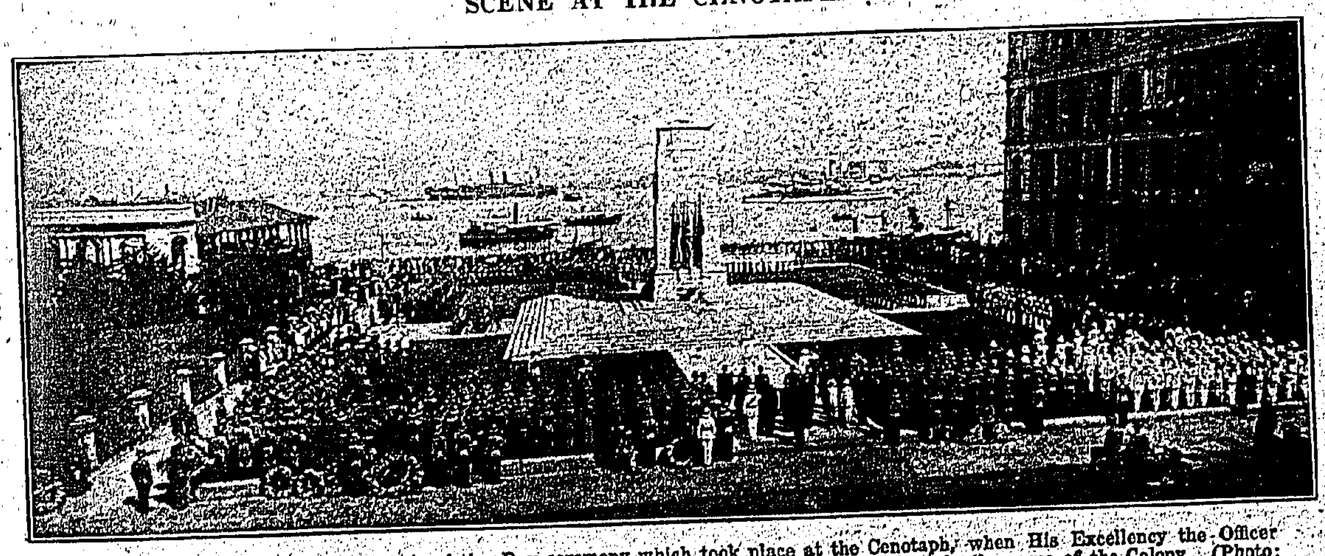

A general view of the impressive Armistice Day ceremony which took place at the Cenotaph, when His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government (the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn) laid a wreath on the memorial in the name of the Colony. (Photo: Welcome Studio).

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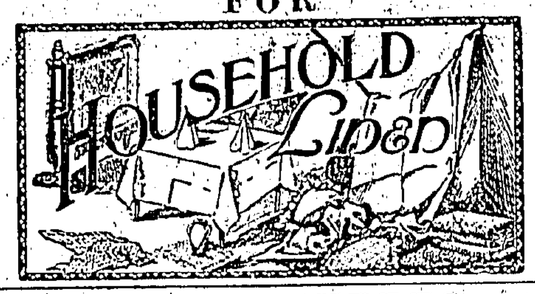

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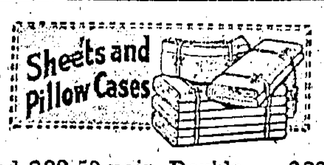

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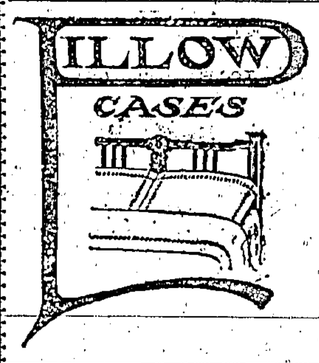

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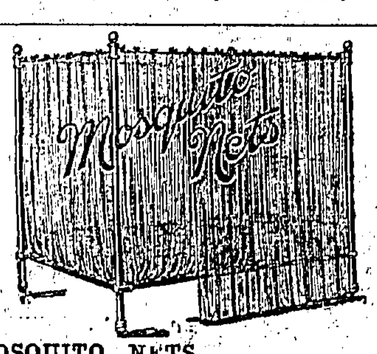

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RACE WITH QUICKER BRAINS.

"FORERUNNERS," DECLARES DR. ANNIE BESANT.

GREEK-LIKE FACES.

A new race, with quicker brains, whom she describes as "the forerunners of a new era," was referred to recently by Dr. Annie Besant, the theosophical leader.

Dr. Besant, who at the age of 80 is returning to India said:

"Up to the present this new race is being born mostly in California, but it is also becoming more conspicuous in New Zealand and in this country.

"These children, who are the forerunners of the 6th race, can be quite easily distinguished, both physically and mentally, from the average Aryan or 5th race, to which we belong and which comprise the Teutonic races.

"In America, where this new type is officially recognised by the Society of Anthropology, experiments are being made, and children of the new type are placed in classes called 'swift,' while the average normal child is placed in classes called 'slow.'

Quick Mentality.

"These children, with their exceptionally clear-cut, rather Greek-like features, low broad foreheads, and pronounced chins, and their exceptionally quick mentality, which amounts to intuition—for it is unnecessary to explain points to them, as to the average child—are in every way about two and a half years in advance of the ordinary child.

"These, I believe, are the forerunners of a new era, to whom the message of the new Teacher will appear.

"I am afraid I have been altogether misunderstood on this subject of the New Messiah. But perhaps it will be better to let the Teacher's work and writings speak for themselves, and in a few months a book of Mr. Krishnamurti's poems, entitled 'Search,' will be published, which will throw far more light on his work than anything I can say."

"MOSSY."

AND WHAT HE TAUGHT.

No one knew his real name until after the accident. He was Mossy to the children and villagers for miles around, and he was "The Green Man" to the gypsy folk of three counties.

He had been driving to one of his many homes late one night when the fat old grey pony which always ambled along in the middle of the road had swerved into a ditch just in time to miss a big car whizzing sound a bend.

Mossy was picked up by the motorist and driven to the farm, and the old pony limped in with the cart early next morning. Mossy told us proudly that his pony would find him anywhere, "if he had to go fifty miles to do it."

Mossy was very grateful for our nursing, but he hated being under a roof. The woods were his home, winter and summer. "There's allus warmth and shelter in the woods for man and beast, missy," he said, "and folks 'ud be better without all these houses."

Mossy was a moss-collector. He had a regular round where he received the gleanings of children and gypsies, and paid them so much a bag. He knew every wood within thirty miles and every kind of moss which grew in them.

The best moss he found himself. Florists could never get enough of stag moss in good condition, and sphagnum—"doctors' moss," as he called it—was always needed, too; sometimes the gypsies would bring him a sackful of it.

And every Wednesday Mossy's cart might be seen at a certain cross-roads, where the weekly harvest was transferred to a moss agent's motor-van.

As soon as he could hobble he left us, having in the week taught us more about "greens" than we had ever known.

"Give up the garden bit and take to the woods, missy," were Mossy's parting words as he drove the fat grey pony down the lane.—R. W. H. in *Evening News*.

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

THE GARRISON LEAGUE.

Matches played on Tuesday resulted as follows:

R.A.M.C. 1; 31st H. Bty, R.A., 2.

H.Q. 2/2nd K.O.S.B. 3; D. Coy, K.O.S.B., 3.

The fixtures for next week are:

Tuesday.—D. Coy, K.O.S.B., v. R.A.M.C.—Referee, Bdr. Brimell, R.A.; A. Coy, K.O.S.B. v. 31st H. Bty. R.A.—Referee, Pte. Lamb, R.A.M.C.

Thursday.—R.A.O.C. v. H.Q. 2/2nd K.O.S.B.—Referee, Sgt. Green, R.A.; H. Q. 1st K.O.S.B. v. R.A.M.C.—Referee, S/Sgt. Gilbert, R.A.O.C.

NEW DELEGATES TO TUSSAUDS.

A SHORTAGE OF MURDERERS.

ACID TEST OF FAME.

When Madame Tussaud's was burned down it meant something more than the end of a building; something broke that can never be put together again—not if all the king's horses and all the king's men try. One had, perhaps, for the first time, an inkling that those flames closed, as the school-books say, an epoch, when it was announced a day or two ago that Mr. H. G. Wells is to figure at the new exhibition which opens early next year. It is not so much that Mr. Wells is an iconoclast; not so much that he will brood on his pedestal (if pedestal be provided) with an air of scientific detachment, as one planning an Outline of Wax. After all, he will be accompanied by Sir Oliver Lodge, and even in the old exhibition Bernard Shaw stood gossiping all day with Dickens and an airman called Louis Paulhan, who flew to Manchester in 1910. No—it is not iconoclasm, not science, but a topicality, a certain up-to-dateness, that characterises Wells and will, it appears, characterise the future Madame Tussaud. Once she looked back lovingly towards the guillotine and the treasured coffee-cup stained by the lips of the first Napoleon; now she looks forward to one knows not what new religions, what men like gods.

There has passed for ever from the earth a famous frowsy smell. There was a dinginess that is no more. In a talk I had with the general manager of the new company (writes a correspondent) that was one of the things on which he insisted. One has known certain intolerant adolescents who have visited the old exhibition and come away declaring that they had smelled the nineteenth century and found it stale. Certainly there was something about the odour of the old place which was gloriously, triumphantly out of date. But now there is to be an exhibition arranged scientifically, with fresh air, fresh paint and Mr. Wells.

Some New Faces.

The exhibition, in the manager's words, is to be "produced"—produced in the fullest, modernest sense of that popular word. There are to be lighting schemes, tableaux a la Gordon Craig and dresses according to the best history books; newness in everything. The manager even doubted whether the famous Sleeping Beauty (whose breast, you will remember, heaved) and the Cobbett who from time to time would turn his head impolitely and stare, will appear again. "We have to keep abreast with the times: we have to surprise the public," he said. The Babes in the Wood are only getting in by the skin of their teeth. It is held that modern children will probably be more pleased by an elaborate jungle with wild animals that is being prepared. The very Chamber of Horrors is to lose its honest drabness and the scholarliness of its exhibits in glass cases. It is to be made thoroughly Grand Guignol. George Augustus Sala's catalogue is to be no more. A catalogue will be written wittily by a bright young man.

There will be new faces, and, in a double sense, new figures. There is Mr. Winston Churchill, for instance, who, in the old days was of fashionable form and svelte; but now, alas, not only has he to be sent for a new suit of clothes, but he has to be born again cast in a larger mould. Sir James Barrie is coming with Sir Hall Caine, Thomas Hardy and Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, all new arrivals in the hall of fame. Dempsey is coming with a few famous airmen. Sir Gerald du Maurier with Mussolini. And as they come in the front door certain ponderous Victorians will doubtless walk out at the back.

The Chamber.

When one inquires after the new arrivals in the Chamber of Horrors the answer is doubtful. It seems that the standard of murders has gone up—De Quincey's principles of artistic murderers have prevailed. As any casual visitor to the old Chamber must have noticed, it did not take much in the way of a murder to permit election there. Take the case of Herbert John Bennet, who appeared, large as life. In the words of the catalogue he "murdered his wife on Yarmouth Beach in September, 1900, by strangling her with a bootlace." The catalogue ends the story with the iconic, if ungrammatical, sentence: "Hanged." Now it is clear to any connoisseur that there is not much here to merit any special distinction—a certain ingenuity in the choice of tools, that is all.

"We are short of good new murderers," the manager said. One can only conclude that while the standards of criticism have gone up the standard of performance lags behind.

THE EMPIRE'S SUGAR.

PLEA FOR DEVELOPMENT OF INDUSTRY.

The necessity of developing the Empire sugar industry so that Great Britain should not be forced, as she is under existing conditions, to rely on foreign countries for three-quarters of her supply is urged by the Sugar Federation of the British Empire, which was formed in April last to collect information and carry on publicity in the interests of the sugar industry of the British Empire.

Because foreign countries have produced large surpluses to their own requirements, Britain today is getting ample sugar supplies, but it is pointed out at a great and avoidable loss to the Empire in wages and trade. In 1926 we bought £3,418,057 worth of sugar from the United States and her dependencies, and £13,199,488 worth from European countries.

The Federation maintain that in ten years time with sound sugar policy the British Empire should be entirely self-supporting in its sugar requirements.

British Guiana, given the labour, could with ease increase its sugar output from about 100,000 tons to ten times that amount.

Natal and Zululand could with assurance of their market, increase their contribution to Britain from 50,000 to over 200,000 tons, and the East African British countries of Kenya, Uganda, and Tanganyika, not even mentioned in the Board of Trade returns as producers, are capable, according to competent judges, of immense sugar development.

Australia similarly is limited only by the markets she can find.

India, producing 3,000,000 tons, is, owing to her immemorial land tenure systems, still actually an importer.

All the vast amounts paid to foreign countries and lost to the Empire in labour in return trade and in money might be preserved if only these potential resources were developed, and only one thing is needed to develop them—namely, security of market.

The policy of the Federation is the maintenance of the Empire sugar producer and refiner in a position of at least equality with the foreign producer and refiner. As a first step toward that equality it looks for the granting of a complete remission from the United Kingdom duty on all Empire produced sugars sold to a British refiner.

ENGLISH APPLES LIKE MELONS.

WET SUMMER CROPS SURPRISE EXPERT.

Cooking apples as large as small melons and bunches of grapes weighing 9lb. were among the exhibits at the Royal Horticultural Society Show.

Expert fruit growers had a great surprise when they found that the annual fruit show was, notwithstanding the bad summer, one of the finest exhibitions of dessert fruit ever staged by the society.

"As far as size and quality are concerned, it is as fine a show as we have ever had," an official of the society said. "And yet none of us was prepared for it. It is amazing in view of the shocking weather."

There was a collection of 135 named varieties of apples which were grown 600 ft. above sea level. Pears were a good show.

The only freak exhibit was a minute gooseberry, no larger than an ordinary boot button. It was discovered by the explorer, Mr. Kingdon Ward, in the heart of China, and was exhibited by Sir John F. Ramsden.

FAMOUS PICTURE.

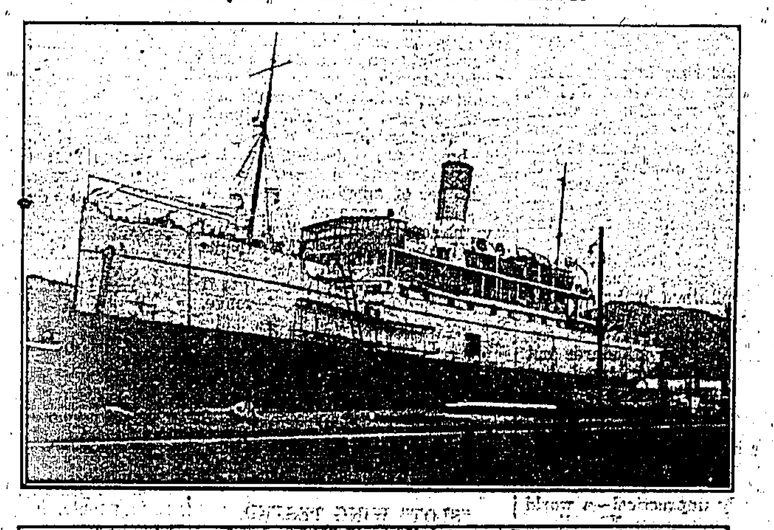
"WHAT PRICE GLORY" NEXT WEEK.

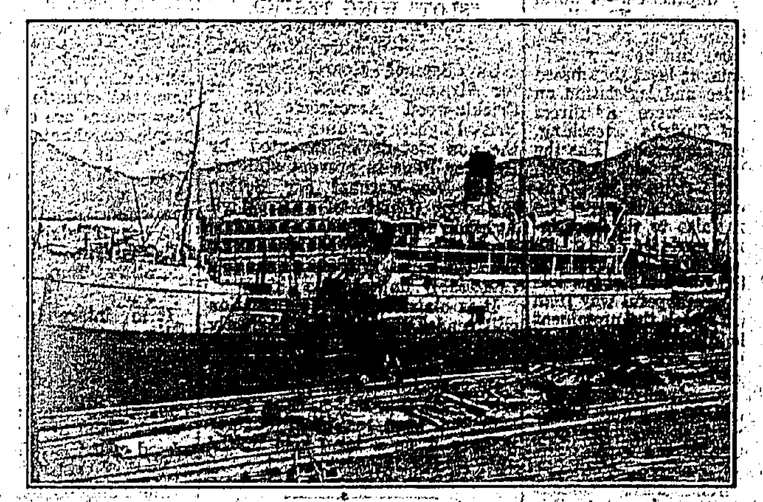
Cinema-goers will learn with interest and pleasure from the special advertisement appearing in this issue of the Hongkong Telegraph that the famous screen comedy, "What Price Glory," will be presented at the Queen's Theatre from Tuesday to Saturday of next week. "What Price Glory" took two years to make, the first year being spent in research work and the second in the actual work of production. The story is based on the plot of a stage success which took London and New York by storm. None of the vitality of the stage play has been lost in the transfer to the screen—indeed the greater scope of the cinema has led to the original being surpassed in every way.

"What Price Glory" is marked by one of the greatest individual acting performances ever flashed on the screen—that of the British star, Victor McLaglen, who gives a remarkable character study as the Captain of Marines. Edmund Lowe as the shifty Sergeant Quirt, also gives a striking portrayal of a difficult part, and Dolores Del Rio, as the charming, seductive Charmaine, proves herself a skilful artist. "What Price Glory" vizualises the hates, loves and passions of war, but it is first and last a comedy, few pictures in the last five years containing more laughs.

A police launch in answering police whistles which were being blown in Hill Road, West Point, found, near the praya wall, a Chinese female clinging to a pole in the water. She was rescued and taken to the Government Civil Hospital but died later.

UNIQUE SHIPBUILDING FEAT.





The Taikoo Dockyard and Engineering Company of Hongkong has just recently completed a rather unique shipbuilding feat when it cut in two and lengthened by 30 feet the s.s. Kpaut of the Straits Steamship Company. The top picture shows the vessel on the slipway prior to cutting, the second the cutting, the middle picture shows the vessel cut through and the two portions drawn apart for lengthening; and the bottom picture shows the vessel completed and, once more afloat after an additional length of 30 feet had been built into her.

LEFT-HANDED BOY ALL RIGHT.

CHANCE OF MORE EVENLY DEVELOPED BRAIN.

MIND AND MUSCLES.

Some rather anxious letters on the subject of left-handedness have appeared recently in London newspaper correspondence columns, so I take the opportunity of explaining what little there is to explain on this interesting and little known question, writes a medical correspondent.

First let me say a word to allay any anxiety which there may be among those who find that some of their children have been thus singled out by Nature.

Left-handedness is a peculiarity; it is not a degeneracy; and, so far from being a handicap, it may on the whole be legitimately regarded as an advantage. It would be a great asset in anyone to be really ambidextrous.

There is no such thing as true ambidexterity, but the left-handed child has a better chance in that direction than the normal right-handed. The left-handed is taught to use his right hand in writing and in other ways, whereas the normal child is never taught to use his left hand.

Better Balance.

This use and development of muscles on one side of the body connotes the use and development of the corresponding side of the brain. It therefore follows that the left-handed child has a better chance of having a well-balanced central nervous system.

Why is it that the vast majority of people are right-handed? It is suggested that primitive man learned to realise that the left side of his body was more vulnerable than his right.

He did not know that this was due to his heart being situated on the left side, but experience taught him that a wound in the left chest was more instantly vital than one on the right. He therefore carried his shield in his left hand and his offensive weapon in his right.

No one is truly symmetrical physically, and speech, the main characteristic of man, has its centre in the brain on the same side as the right-side muscles. So in the majority of mankind the right side is the better developed.

Parents of left-handed children would be well advised to take the advice of an expert oculist on the subject of the child's eyesight. Beyond this there is no cause at all for any anxiety whatever.

BELGIAN BARON'S WEDDING.

Bridal group taken at the wedding, at St. Joseph's Church, recently, of Baron Baudoin Guillaume and Madame Phillipon. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

RADIO ITEMS.

NEW BRITISH SCHEME.

New York, Oct. 19.

Captain Peter Eckersley, chief engineer of the British Broadcasting Corporation, who is returning to England after attending the Radio Conference, stated that England may scrap her present radio stations in favour of twin wave length transmitters.

Captain Eckersley said that there was a scheme at present under development in Britain so that everybody on the simplest set might be assured of a choice of programmes. If there was an evening of jazz for those who liked to dance to loud speakers, there would be broadcast simultaneously a programme of symphony music for the more serious-minded. He declared that the plan had already been commenced with the establishment of a twin wave station at Daventry.

Status of Amateurs.

Washington, Oct. 19.

The Australian and New Zealand delegates at the International Radio Conference have joined with the United States and Canada in urging the technical sub-committee to accord the same official recognition to amateurs as to any other station, that they be allowed to use short wave lengths, that the allocation of amateur wave lengths be agreed upon, and also that each nation determine amateur powers according to its national conditions and desires.

Messrs. H. P. Brown, Ross, A. Hull, and A. Gibbs spoke urging that the value of the amateur should be recognised.

Vladivostock Wireless Propaganda.

London, Oct. 21.

According to the correspondent of the *Morning Post*, the Bolsheviks have established a powerful broadcasting station at Vladivostock, whence propagandist messages are being sent to all parts of the Far East, so that no Japanese now can switch on his listening-in set without being exposed to instruction from Moscow, couched in the most fluent Japanese.

The authorities in Japan are puzzled as to how to deal with this "aerial" attack.

ANGLO-AUSTRALIAN BEAM TELEPHONY.

TESTS TO BE CONDUCTED SHORTLY.

London, Nov. 1.

A test will shortly be made of a Beam telephone service between England and Australia.

SHAM WEDDING AND TAX HOAX.

ALSATIAN STORY WITHOUT A MORAL.

MASK AS 'PHONE.

A youth named Paul Ancel has emulated the notorious "Captain Koepenick" in playing an extraordinary trick on a peasant living on a lonely farm in the blue Alsatian mountains, near Colmar.

The farmer has the reputation of being rich. In his household is a woman who has passed as his wife for 30 years, but to whom he has never been married.

Hiring a taxicab at Colmar, Paul Ancel drove to the farm and introduced himself as the secretary of the Prefect of the department.

"You are probably aware," he said, "that the French Government has introduced a heavy tax on all couples who live as husband and wife."

"I have been sent by the Prefect to make an estimate of your fortune and collect the tax."

The peasants nearly collapsed when, after much calculation, the young "official" announced that they had to pay him a tax of 4,000 francs.

"And you had better pay it on the spot if you do not want the gendarmes to come and fetch you to-morrow," he declared.

A Wireless Gretna Green.

"But," added the "official," "I will do something for you. To avoid this tax next year, I can obtain from my chief, the Prefect, permission to marry you on the spot."

While the farmer went to another room to fetch the 4,000 francs, the "official" produced an old army gas-mask. This he used as a "wireless telephone" to communicate with the Prefecture at Colmar!

In the presence of the astounded peasants, he "telephoned" to M. le Prefect, and finally said that he had obtained permission to perform their marriage.

He produced a few documents, to which the couple, who could neither read nor write, put their crosses.

Pocketing the 4,000 francs, Ancel, placing the man and woman in front of him, and holding his hand above their heads, said, in a grave and solemn voice, "In the name of the law, you are legally husband and wife."

After congratulating the bridal pair, the thief returned to Colmar in his taxicab.

Next day the "newly married" farmer told the mayor, and learnt that he had been swindled.

Ancel was arrested at Colmar.

PENANG SENSATION.

CHINESE BOY RUNS AMOK.

Penang, Nov. 10.

Yesterday a Chinese boy employed at a European mess in Brook Road, ran amok.

He first attacked a Malay boy with a chopper and then found a service rifle and ammunition and proceeded to shoot indiscriminately from the upper verandah, hitting a telephone linesman in the leg.

Mr. Hodson, of Guthrie's, a member of the mess, narrowly escaped being shot when running upstairs on his return from office as the boy fired at him the bullet grazing his stomach.

The police were sent for and drew a cordon round the house and Inspector Rocno pluckily attacked the Chinese who fired twice at him.

The Inspector returned the fire with three shots from his pistol and the boy collapsed.

Altogether four persons were wounded, two of them seriously.

Three charges of attempted murder were preferred against the boy, who is named Ah Seng, when the case was brought up and adjourned till Nov. 17th.

AUSTRALIAN HALL OF MEMORIES.

WORK NOT STARTED YET.

Canberra, Oct. 25.

Constructional work on the national war memorial, which is to be erected at Canberra at a cost of £250,000, will not be commenced for some weeks at least.

The Chief Commissioner (Sir John Butters) said to-day that the plans which are to be produced by collaboration, are not yet completed. The site for the memorial has been selected. It is on the slopes of Mt. Ainslie. The massive Hall of Memories, when completed, will occupy the most commanding site in the city.

BOMB CLUE TO SECRET STILLS.

JARS OF WHISKY CRASH FROM WINDOWS.

POLICE BAFFLED.

It is to-day accepted as proved that the explosion in an Italian tenement at New York (when three women, a child and a man were killed, and 11 other people injured) may be definitely associated with the men who, last July, during the Sacco-Vanzetti agitation, attempted to blow up two underground stations.

In the wreckage was found an unexploded bomb exactly like one which had failed to go off at the time of the underground outrages.

Each bomb contained 6½lb. of dynamite; but the detonating caps had not acted.

Police activity is now directed to the hunt for two young men who recently rented a room where the explosion originated.

One theory is that the bomb, which wrecked the Italian tenement, may have been accidentally detonated by one of the wanted young men.

Perhaps it was the man whose unidentifiable body has been found among the debris.

Whether the suspects used their apartment as an infernal machine factory or only a store room cannot now be decided.

Crime Gives Clue to Crime.

One curious result of the explosion is claimed as demonstration of the futility of trying to enforce the Prohibition Law.

It was at first thought the explosion was caused by materials used in some illicit whisky still, and the police began a house-to-house search all down the street, which is largely peopled by Italian.

News of the activities of the officials preceeded them. When they arrived on the scene of their search-raids they found the backyards of nearly all the tenements reeking with alcohol and piled up with the debris of stills and stoneware pars, which had been thrown out of the back windows from every floor, so that no evidence of ownership is possible.

In some of the places searched, however, the policemen brought to light many gallons of spirits and wine and hundreds of bottles.

RUBBER INDUSTRY.

PROPOSED LEVY ON RUBBER USED.

London, Nov. 11.

Mr. E. T. Campbell, on Wednesday next will introduce in the House of Commons the Rubber Industry Bill, the object of which is to finance on new lines the Research Association of the British rubber tyre manufacturers which hitherto has been supported by voluntary grants from individual manufacturers and Government aid, the latter of which terminates in 1929.

The proposals in the Bill, which is supported by all trade associations concerned and by individual manufacturers representing 85 per cent. of the total capital of the industry, are based upon the Cotton Industry Act of 1923 and involve the payment of a contribution by all rubber manufacturers, some not exceeding 1-25th of a penny per pound, in respect of all rubber used in processes of manufacture either as such, or in the form of latex.

The operation of the bill is limited to five years, the contribution it is estimated will average an annual sum of £15,000 on the present estimated consumption of 40,000 tons.

The schedule shows 1-25th of a penny a pound on unvulcanised gutta and balata 1-7th of a penny per gallon on latex not exceeding 40 in weight, 1-5th of a penny per gallon from 40 to 70 and 1-35 (?) of a penny per gallon over 70.

Mr. Campbell, who was asked by the trade to sponsor the bill owing to his speech at the Incorporated Society of Planters' dinner in 1926 recommending some such measure, states that all Parties are backing and supporting the bill and he believes the measure will be passed before Christmas.

The Share Market.

The rubber share market opened firm to-day but there was a slight reaction owing to the easier trend in the leading issues.

Tin declined £1 1-8. The Anglo-Oriental group is inactive. The first report of the London Tin Syndicate is excellent.

Chinese bonds are steadily rising and it is significant that the main support is from the East. Yesterday there was a relapse though there were enquiries at the close.—*Singapore Free Press.*

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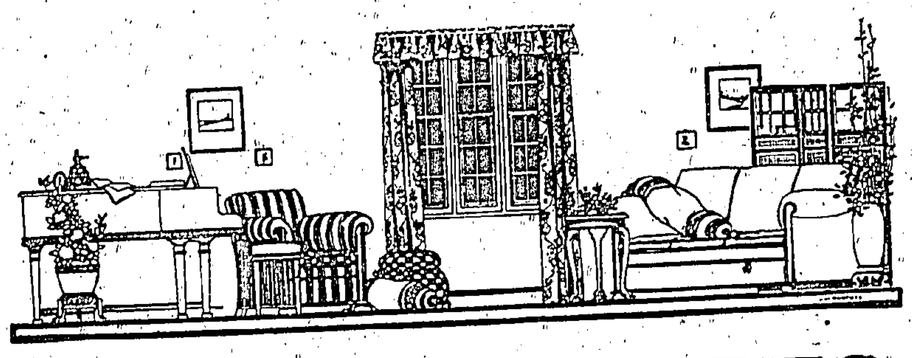

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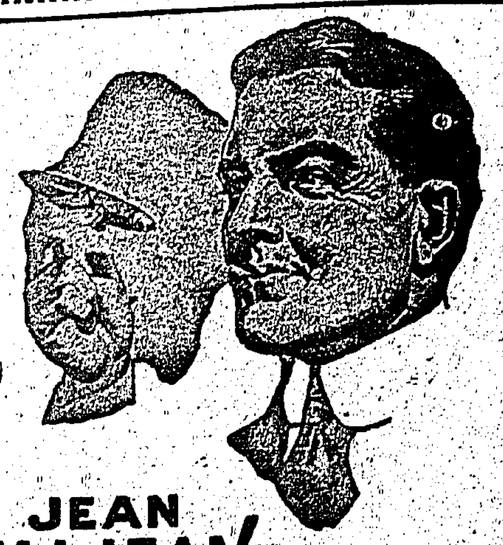

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THE DEATH SENTENCE FIVE TIMES.

OFT-RESPITED MURDERER HANGS HIMSELF.

THE FASTING WIFE.

Russell T. Scott, formerly known as a rich Canadian contractor and speculator, who was five times sentenced to death for the murder of a drug store salesman in Chicago in April 1924, has committed suicide in the County Gaol in Chicago by hanging himself with his belt.

Scott's career, both in and out of prison, was a most remarkable one.

When he was 20 he was an actor.

Later he launched out as a promoter of big engineering enterprises. He established a concern in Toronto, with branches in a dozen other cities, and sold to the public shares in an enterprise for the construction of bridges, to cost £6,000,000, to connect Canada and the United States.

When he quarrelled with his associates he was forced out of the concern, which was subsequently wound up.

Eleventh-hour Reprieve.

He came into public notice again, in 1924, when he was arrested after the shooting of Joseph Maurer, the drug salesman, while trying (with his brother, Robert Scott) to rob the drug shop.

Russell Scott pleaded "Guilty" when arraigned for trial in April 1925.

His counsel, in tears and on his knees, implored the judge to be allowed to withdraw the plea of "guilty," insisting that his client was innocent.

To this the judge consented. The case went to trial, and Russell Scott was found guilty and sentenced to death.

Just before the execution, a sympathetic telegraph operator in Detroit sent a bogus telegram to the Governor of Michigan State, signed in the name of "Robert Scott," and purporting to confess to the murder.

This resulted in a reprieve pending a search for Robert, which was fruitless.

Then "insanity" was pleaded, and Russell Scott was sent to an asylum.

Subsequently he was declared sane, and was again tried and sentenced to be hanged.

To raise funds for his defence, his wife publicly exhibited herself on a "starvation strike."

With funds obtained by Mrs. Russell Scott's enterprise in Detroit, and with other money contributed by influential Detroit women and others, four successive reprieves were obtained.

Once again Russell Scott was about to be led to execution, but last month the "insanity" issue was again raised; and till yesterday Scott was awaiting the outcome.

Meanwhile, his brother Robert has been captured and condemned to penal servitude for life—which sentence he is now serving.

MARTYR'S BODY FOR LONDON.

PRIEST WHO WAS EXECUTED AT TYBURN.

LOST RELICS ROUND.

Permission is being sought to bring the remains of the Ven. John Southworth, who was martyred at Tyburn in 1654, from Douai to England for reburial.

The authorities at Westminster Cathedral are now seeking the necessary leave from the French Government with the help of the British Foreign Office.

John Southworth belonged to an old Lancashire family. Educated at Douai, he returned to England as a missionary in 1619, and worked zealously until he was arrested eight years later and imprisoned in Lancaster Castle.

He was sentenced to exile, but went on working in London. He was again arrested, advised to plead not guilty, but refused; it is said that the Recorder who pronounced he death sentence was so moved that he wept.

The body eventually passed into the care of a member of the Duke of Norfolk's family who sent it to Douai.

The Discovery.

Recently the lead coffin containing the remains was found on the site of the English College at Douai. Workmen who were excavating thought it was buried English treasure.

Father A. B. Purdie, M.A., O.B.E., who visited Douai, describes in "The Tablet" how X-ray photographs showed that the body had been quartered, and that the head had been cut off, probably by an axe.

In 1656, the recovery from a serious illness of Francis Howard, son of the Earl of Arundel, was attributed to the relics. The body was secretly buried at Douai in 1793, during the French revolution, and until the recent excavations its location was unknown.

GERMAN GLIDING COMPETITION.

IMPORTANT CONTESTS IN THE ROHN.

INTERNATIONAL BASIS.

The gliding competition held annually in the Rhon Mountains has acquired an international significance. It has, indeed, become a regular sporting and aerial event of the first rank; and, as usual, this year's event was characterized by some remarkable successes both in the performances themselves and in the contrivances exhibited.

The competitions were grouped in three divisions, namely, one for training, one for advanced pupils, and one for performances, —an arrangement which permitted great freedom of exhibition in regard both to the individual flyers and to the various machines.

In the performance competition, the winner was Nehring. He used a "Darmstad" machine and glided from the Wasserkuppe to Bad Berka—a distance of 52 kilometers. This glide involved exceptional capacity in the machine and the very finest flying instincts on the part of the performers. The flight was from mountain to mountain, use being continually made of the upward current of air. It constituted the first really great overland glide that has been accomplished.

With the same machine, Nehring also won the so-called Heidelstein Prize. He glided from the Wasserkuppe to the Heidelstein which is only a few meters lower than the starting-point. As the crow flies, the distance is 8 kilometers. Nehring glided round the highest point of the Heidelstein and returned to the Wasserkuppe all in one glide, —a performance of the very first rank and one reflecting the greatest credit both on glider and on machine.

Several New Machines.

Among the planes entered for the competition, there was a far higher proportion of unexceptionable machines than on previous occasions. This circumstance proves the extraordinarily high training of every individual in purely constructional questions.

Besides the highly developed standard types, there were shown, in the so-called technical competition, quite a number of absolutely new gliding planes.

The Research Institute of the Rhon-Ressitten Association exhibited a canard or tail-first plane, i.e., one with the elevators in front, the rudders consisting of dises attached to the ends of the wings. In a number of unexceptionable flights, Herr Stamer, the head of the flying-school, proved this machine to have solved the canard problem—a matter of great interest now that the question of traffic-planes has assumed such importance.

Further, a so-called tailless plane was shown which also had its rudders on the wings. This type, with the body omitted, can be enlarged into a great plane with cabins and motors in the wings. Flown by Herr Stamer and Herr Nehring, the plane manifested highly satisfactory qualities, and naturally aroused great interest in circles devoted to traffic flying with giant machines.

Another noticeable plane was the single decker "Lapruvo" of Herr Kirchner; it demonstrated the possibility of reducing the size of the plane by systematic construction without placing too great a strain on the wings.

In the course of the whole competition, upwards of 500 flights were undertaken, those performed both by pupils and flyers being most praiseworthy.

Altogether, it must be admitted that this year's gliding was highly creditable both to performers and to constructors. It demonstrated that the entire flying problem, when attacked from the standpoint of the gliding plane, is capable of expert solution.

An extraordinary series of angling matches reached a climax with the awarding of a handsome trophy and 14 medals of the Surrey and Middlesex Angling League for a catch of a small gudgeon 5¼ inches long. Twenty-eight men fished all day, and this was the only sizable fish landed. Chertsey team were accordingly declared victors in their match with Twickenham. A fortnight previously Godalming beat Farnham by a solitary fish; while on the following Sunday Chertsey beat Godalming, only one fish being caught. On each occasion the all-important fish got smaller, until the last of the trio was the smallest winner of all. The one angler among 28 to land the solitary fish in each instance won the competitors' sweepstake.

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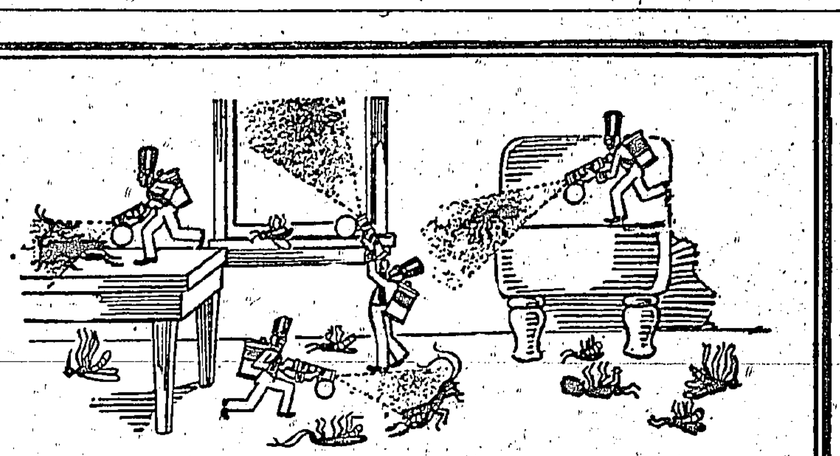

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WOMAN'S WORLD

WHAT A CHARMING VOICE.

SPEECH DRILL FOR CHILDREN.

There is a problem which arises in all families, the question of teaching children to speak correctly and at what age this should be done. By speaking correctly I do not mean using correct grammar, but enunciating words clearly and in a pleasing tone.

The first question arises when the child is yet a baby. A child learns to speak by imitation, what are you going to teach it? Baby language makes an appeal to all or nearly all women: Baby's "toe-toes" seems an apter expression than "feet" for those little velvet soft morsels, and so on almost endlessly. You may ask what harm there is in a pretty custom. Very little, provided it is not carried either too far or on too long. But that is the difficulty; absurd nicknames, obscure words and phrases may stick by one to an adult age and may be not only embarrassing but a real drawback.

A Lazy Way of Speaking.

But that is the least of the evils, a lazy way of speaking is a very common fault among children and a very serious handicap to them when they reach school age. The result of the careless formation of words is an ugly flat sound which is very often solely responsible for the child being called "stupid."

Use a Mirror.

If a small child is shown his lips in a mirror while saying "Oh no," he will realise what an important part they play in speech. Moreover it will be delightful game which he will need little or no urging to play. The vowels in "round" and similar words can be made very ugly, and the mirror will show first the mouth well opened and then made small and pushed forward. Many children never pronounce "th" properly, "d" "t" and "s" are all easier sounds to make and are therefore used instead. The mirror should show the tip of the tongue between the teeth.

An Interesting Experiments.

Many children find it easier to pronounce words correctly if they are allowed to sing them first. Some educationalists maintain that chanting is more natural to a young child than talking; and you will observe that a large number of children do sing or chant words and phrases over to themselves when playing. In this connections it may be remarked that children who habitually stammer when talking are generally quite free from this distressing impediment when they sing.

Reading Aloud.

Reading aloud is a very good aid in cultivating a pleasing speaking voice. It is not only a method of learning how to pronounce words correctly, but it gets the child accustomed to the sound of his own voice, so that he is not shy when speaking to strangers, and moreover has learnt to talk slowly and clearly.

Pidgin English.

Servants of course the world over have an influence over the children's speech. Words and accents very easily acquired are hard to lose. When the question of another language, as Chinese, arises there is further difficulty. The Chinese tones are not, at all events in the mouths of amahs and boys, many of them pleasing to English ears, and while they are exceedingly hard for an adult to acquire, children pick them up easily. Besides this, there is the question of that curious and most infectious language, pidgin English. It sounds rather amusing to hear, as I did the other day on the Peak tram, an English boy ask "how fashion can," but "how fashion" would such a phrase be regarded by the masters or mistresses of any English school?

A Valuable Asset.

This matter of speech training is important from a practical point of view. There are schools where scholarships are awarded, other things being equal, to boys with good speaking voices, and in any profession, even matrimony a pleasant voice plays a very important part.

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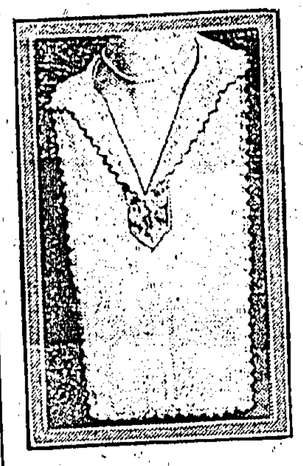


Vogue's latest touch is a soft vestee of accordion pleated cream georgette and real filet lace which, like a bib is worn on the outside of the dress.

THIS WEEK'S RECIPE.

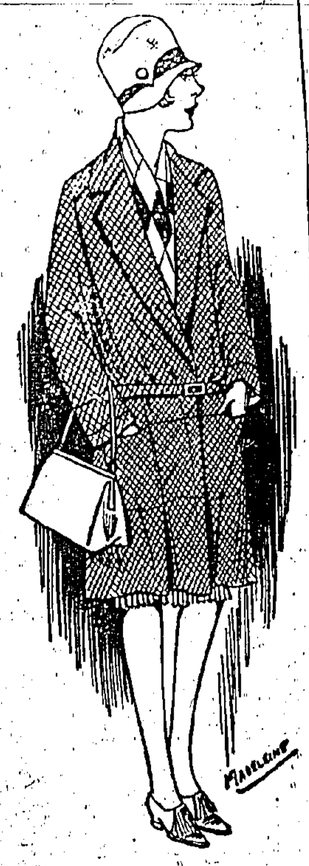
CHOCOLATE LAYER CAKE.

Ingredients:—1/8th teaspoon salt; 2 cups flour; 1 teaspoon Vanilla; 1/8th cup of milk; 1/3rd cup Purico; 2 ozs. Unsweetened chocolate; 4 eggs; Half cup water; 1 1/2 cups sugar; 5 tablespoons boiling water and 3 teaspoons of baking powder. Dissolve chocolate in the boiling water. Cool. Cream Purico, add sugar gradually, creaming constantly. Add the chocolate. Beat yolks until thick and lemon coloured. Add them to the creamed sugar and Purico; then add the liquid and the sifted dry ingredients, alternately. Add vanilla. Beat the whites of the eggs until stiff and cut carefully and lightly into the mixture. Turn into two greased layer cake pans and bake in a moderate oven 30 to 35 minutes.

A SMART ULSTER COAT.

A smart ulster coat is always useful—it comes in for motoring, travelling, and sport of all kinds. Naturally it is not a cheap thing to buy, because it must be absolutely "right" as to cut, material, etcetera; but once bought, it is a possession which will last a matter of years, because the fashions in this kind of garment do not change very much.

The coat sketched is of Scotch tweed, but kasha of varying weights could be employed with equal success. Another very popular matgrial is of course waterproofed fabric, and this can be obtained in charming colour schemes.



An Ulster coat suitable for all seasons and materials. It is serviceable for motoring and sports, and is of a style which will not quickly be changed.

OVER THE TEA CUPS.

(SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" BY "JOAN")

London, Oct. 6.

Madeleine tells me that Paris is at the moment very been on *mais;* otherwise yellow. That colour is employed in evening and day gowns, especially in georgette—a material to which it lends itself with great effect. For the model sketched herewith, this material and colour has been selected, and another of Paris's sudden affections is illustrated in the blouse bodice combined with the very finely pleated skirt: the latter being a favourite less fleeting than usual. On the bodice, the trimming is of yellow silk, embroidered in green and gold beads; although for less "dressy" occasions (if you will forgive a word reminiscent of journals devoted to the presumably half-witted section of the female population!) I see no reason why the blouse should not be plain *mais* georgette; and look very lovely.

Stephanie says the second picture is a "matron's jumper." Why it should be, and what exactly constitutes a matron, I do not know! Subconsciously I have an idea that you rank as a matron when you allow your hair to go grey; but if I looked in the dictionary (a thing I scarcely ever do, having been taught by a fierce individual only to use those words I am capable of spelling correctly!) I should probably find that it includes all of us who have entered or been inveigled into the married state, no matter what our ages. Anyhow, I think the little jumper, here depicted would be very nice on anyone, and the only thing I have to tell you about it which you cannot see for yourself is that it is in patterned crepe de chine; although as you will of course make it in what you like, this doesn't count for very much. On the other hand, there are certain traditions in connection with women's pages, and it would be a sorry day for me when I said: "Here's a drawing of a useful frock. Make it up in what you like; or what you can afford!" Gone would be all the alleged romance and glamour of clothes one cannot hope to obtain this side of the Styx. Billows of unattainable pink chiffon make of me a rabid raving Socialist; but I sincerely trust our exclusive designs do not have the same effect upon you!

Try This.

To revert, however, to something within the reach of all of us who possess a small sufficiency and who like cheese, here is a delicious recipe for cheese aigrettes. Put half a pint of water and an ounce of butter into a saucepan to boil. Sprinkle in a quarter of a pound of flour and a pinch of salt, stirring well with a wooden spoon, and make a thick sauce. To achieve this, it is necessary to see that your flour is not in the least lumpy, and this is ensured by sifting it. Having cooked this sauce thoroughly, allow it to cool; then beat in three eggs, one at a time. Afterwards, stir in the greater part of four ounces of grated cheese, seasoned with pepper. Turn the mixture on to a plate to cool. Have ready some deep hot fat into which you will plunge and fry a teaspoonful of the cheese concoction. When they are golden brown and puffy, drain on tissue paper and serve, sprinkled with the rest of the grated cheese. Even when serving, it is advisable to have these aigrettes spread on lace paper to absorb the fat.

The model sketched herewith is a blouse bodice with a finely pleated skirt. On the bodice, the trimming is of coloured silk embroidered in green and gold beads.

Is That So?

Viscountess Erleigh, the daughter-in-law of Lord Reading, the ex-Viceroy of India, is the mother of three or four—I forget how many for the moment—sturdy children, and she is also an ardent advocate of Child Welfare. When I had a chat with her, more than a year ago, she was intensely interested in a scheme for "Mayfair Mothers." This was not a snobbish idea, but merely meant that the question of the poorer class mothers had adequately been tackled, and it then remained to interest the wealthier type of mother who thought that when she had engaged a reliable nurse for her children, she had done all that she could reasonably be expected to do, and that the rest was in the hands of Providence. Lady Erleigh—a young, good-looking, and vital woman—thought otherwise, and was endeavouring to interest not only the "Mayfair" mother, but the father as well; and she had also got the services of prominent child specialists—such as Dr. Eric Pritchard, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the National Baby Week Council, on her side.

This week I have been reading with much interest the book (published by Hutchinsons) entitled "Queen Mary," an intimate study by Miss Kathleen Woodward. Miss Woodward has set out to show us Queen Mary—the woman, and has ably compiled a record of Her Majesty's activities during the War, and at other times, in connection with semi-social enterprises, particularly those appertaining to women. If one had to sum up one's impressions of the Queen in one word, after perusal of the book, that word would undoubtedly be "Thoroughness," for Her Majesty lends her patronage to no scheme that is not absolutely thorough from beginning to end, and she herself cuts out all "red tape," and gets down more rapidly to "brass tacks" than any commoner. Whether one is, by conviction, an ardent loyalist, or a confirmed republican, one can only emerge from the perusal of Miss Woodward's records as an admirer of a great lady for whom the smallest detail is not too insignificant. The Queen's love of, and care for, babies would alone draw every mother to her. "At the ceremony of the opening of Queen Mary's Maternity Home at Hampstead, the real autocrats of the press," writes Miss Woodward, "would be appeased by nothing less than a picture of the Queen holding a baby; and into the Queen's arms one of the babies was placed. Instantly Queen Mary's voice was heard: 'Matron. But what is the matter with its eye?' It was as if she had gone into her own nursery and at once detected a sight inflammation on the baby's eyelid. The photograph shows a look of deep concern on the Queen's face, with the matron bending over, also examining the child."

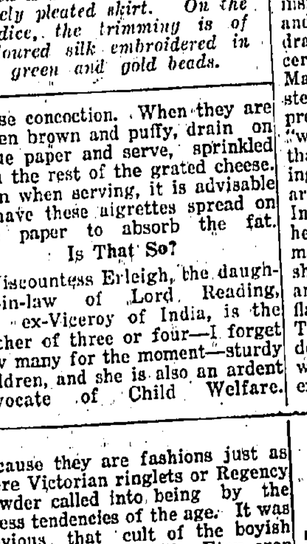
SHINGLE, BINGLE, BOB.

Every day some woman stands before her glass and ponders, "shall I have my hair cut?" Every day golden, brown, black and even white locks are being laid on the altar of Fashion and all the while, like a distant growl of thunder, there are threats that the day of the shingle is on the wane.

A debutante who was presented at one of the recent courts said that she was letting her hair grow because it was "such a bore to look just like your Mother." Those who haunt the dress shows of Paris whisper that elaborately curled wigs are being worn in the evenings to cover a shorn head, and pessimists write shocking prophesies of bald or bearded women.

To have ones hair cut for the first time is a most delightful experience. It is like beginning life anew, you look different and you feel different, you can wear styles and colours which were forbidden you before, and you have rid of one of the greatest burdens of womanhood. Short hair will last as long as sensible clothes because it is more than a whim of fashion, it is the expression of the age. When women are ready to hamper their movements by long and voluminous skirts and to ruin their health by tight lacing once more, they may be willing to spend hours a day on doing their hair because obviously they will have to give up most of their present pursuits, but until that day the shingle and the bob will hold their own.

Fashions in short hair will come and go and others take their place, because they are fashions just as were Victorian ringlets or Regency powder called into being by the dress tendencies of the age. It was obvious that cult of the boyish figure should bring the Eton crop just as it was inevitable that the first shorn hair should be like that of a mediaval page when the jumper crept from the art school into the world of fashion. The tendency today is towards a more feminine mode, so the Parisienne hides her boyish head under a softly curling wig, but only in the evening. She knows that the tailleur and the street dress are best complimented by a neat and unobtrusive coiffure.



A matron's jumper made in patterned crepe-de-chine.

There is nothing in modern fashions to make long hair imperative, nothing even to suggest that it will be in the near future, and everything to point to a continuation of the present styles of hair dressing. The very fact that the fashion for short hair has survived for more than twelve years is sufficient evidence that it has justified itself. One by one the strongholds have fallen; rich and poor, old and young have cut their hair and kept it short. Milady and the charlady, the young lady behind the counter and all the hosts of other ladies haven't a hairpin between the lot of them, and the little ladies of the East are now following suit.

A NOVEL ENSEMBLE.

This coat and jumper ensemble may look somewhat complicated, but it is only necessary to have your coat lined with the same material as that which composes the jumper, the coat lining also forming the revers, and there you are. It is essential, of course, that the stripes should be placed so that they "agree," otherwise the result will be sketchy in the extreme. If you get them right, however, you have a smart little *toilette.* These stripes can be achieved by a darker shade of the colour chosen for the jumper, or or they can be—as in the case of the model sketched—navy blue on white.

STYLISH EMERALDS.

A huge emerald, set in a diamond neckline, with matching bracelet and ring, form the latest and most stylish of evening ensembles of real jewels.

RED GOLD LOCKS.

THE DRESS PROBLEM OF THE RED HAIRED WOMEN.

Red hair, hair of the Titian colour, is a beauty not lightly worn, for the red-haired woman must be careful in her choice of clothes.

It is curious that there should be a fashion in the colour of the hair, but it is none the less true. All sorts of reasons are responsible for the choice of the fashionable colour. The poor "Black Lady" of the sonnets was despised because of her raven locks which would have been her main claim to beauty had she lived a century later or so, because Queen Elizabeth was red haired. The colour most favoured by dress designers has an effect on the hair, for it no use hoping to look your best if Paris has decided in favour of blondes when you happen to be a brunette.

An Enviable Position.

But the difficulty can generally be overcome fairly easily by all but the red haired. Shampoo powders and bleaching can do wonders though the latter is rather a drastic method of bringing your locks into line with fashion. But happily there is to-day a wide choice of colour for the well dressed woman, and if the most popular colour of the moment is not becoming with your hair you can choose another and still be chic.

Red hair is not very common and so it is in itself conspicuous, and should be made the culminating point of the toilette. It is no use trying to hide such a flaming colour under a bushel, red hair like murder will out, the only thing is to make the best of what is really an enviable possession whether or no gentlemen prefer blondes at the moment.

The Use of Make-Up.

Unfortunately most red haired women have pale and insignificant eyelashes and eye-brows, but skilful make-up can remedy this defect. To compensate they generally have very lovely white skins to which it is best to add only the slightest flush of pink, for scarlet lips and heavily rouged cheeks look not only artificial but very crude and inartistic in conjunction with red hair.

The Choice of Ornaments.

If you have Titian hair, such as has been sung by poets and immortalised by painters of all times it is your most lovely ornament. Flashing stones are out of keeping with it though the soft sheen of pearls is becoming to nearly all red haired women and crystal and amber and jade can generally be worn.

The Question of Colour.

A plainly cut frock of either black or navy blue with a little white at the neck and wrists is always becoming for you. White, too, for sports or evening wear is admirable, but as a general rule red haired people should avoid bright colours.

Colours, even brilliant ones are not impossible as many lovely paintings will testify, but the colours must be well chosen, and it should be remembered that what looks well in a picture may be far too conspicuous in real life to be really chic. Green is accepted as the colour for the auburn haired, but nearly all shades of golden brown, soft blues and even some pinks often look even more lovely. Purple is a little too magnificent, though a cyclamen tone or some of the colder lavender shades may be successful. But whatever colour you attempt remember that the object must be to display your glorious hair to the best advantage, not to distract attention from it.

THE WAY WITH SPOONS.

A SPOON FOR EVERY PURPOSE.

The pride of every housewife should be the well-polished and plated spoons on her table. Dull bowls spoils the whole effect.

There ought to be a sufficiency of spoons laid for every purpose, since in helping dishes an extra spoon is often needed. Two tablespoons, placed bowl to handle across each corner of the table, add to the furnishing, as well as being ready to hand, though there may be no necessity for them, since vegetable and sweet dishes, &c., are handed with their respective spoons all ready for use.

Tablespoons serve most dishes, except sauces, for which the broad-bowled sauce spoons, with curved handles, are correct. A larger spoon of the same type is used with the soup tureen.

Up-to-Date Servers.

For the salads, glass servers are the most up-to-date idea, though both carved wood and bone are also used. Glass spoons will be found much better than anything else for pickles, chutney, and all preserves containing vinegar. Wee salt and mustard spoons are so inexpensive now that their fragility matters little.

For jams and other sweet preserves, silver spoons are placed. Some are elaborately chased and moulded. A new idea is a spoon with a little catch at the back of the handle, which, rested on the rim of the bowl or jar, which prevents it slipping into the contents.

Handsome souvenir spoons add variety to a scheme of table-centre decoration, but, of course, they are not for use.

Where to Place Spoons.

Apart from those intended only for serving purposes, we use dessert spoons for soup, and the sweet course. The former are laid, first to the hand, on the right side of each person's place at the table; while the spoon for the sweet, with its companion fork, is placed across the top of the space for the plates.

If grape fruit or melon is on the menu, dessert spoons are served with the fruit.

Small custards, individual jellies, ices, and such like, are generally accompanied by large teaspoons, since dessert spoons are rather big for the purpose.

At tea-time the hostess has her dainty silver apostle spoons on the tray, but with the breakfast cups in the morning, the larger teaspoons are used.

A golfing or sports costume, consisting of a box-pleated crepella skirt, worn with a yellow striped jumper and a yellow cardigan. The jumper is sleeveless and can be made from a light material according to climate.

J. DISRAELI (DIZZY) DUGAN.

THAT HONEY I MET LAST NIGHT DOESN'T SEEM TO BE VERY STRONG FOR ME — I GUESS I'LL HAVE TO PULL SOME SMART CRACKS ON THE GALS LIKE THE REST OF THE GUYS DO.

TEE-HEE — I SURE FRAMED UP A SWELL JOKE — WHEN MABEL HEARS THIS SHE'LL THINK I'M HOT STUFF!

AW — SHE'S A NICE GAL BUT HASN'T ANY SENSE OF HUMOR

START OF JOKE

YEH, MABEL — I'M MOVING OVER TO THE NORTH SIDE OF TOWN TOMORROW SO I'LL BE NEARER MY FOLKS

YOU ARE? — WHERE ARE YOUR FOLKS?

IN ALASKA!

JOKE

OH

?

HOW'D THEY GO TONIGHT, DIZZY?

KNICK

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SALESMAN SAM

SAM, G'WAN OVER T' MY HOUSE AN' SAW DOWN TH' BIG TREE IN TH' BACK YARD - AN' I DON'T WANT ANY LAYIN' DOWN ON TH' JOB, EITHER!

UP DOWN PRIV

NOW DON'T SAW OFF TH' BRANCH YOU'RE SITTIN' ON! DO TH' THING IN A BUSINESS-LIKE WAY! IT'S GOTTA BE DONE WHEN I GET HOME - SEE?

OUT IN J. ZZLEM + CO.

MIGOSH! WHAT'N HECK DO I KNOW ABOUT PULLIN' DOWN TREES! IF I WAS AN ELEPHANT NOW, I COULD PULL TH' DARN THING UP BY TH' ROOTS AN' BEAN GUZZ WITH IT!

REG. U. S. PAT. OFF.

YES, SAM, THAT'S IT! MR. GUZZ-LEM SAYS T' TAKE YOUR TIME ABOUT TAKIN' IT DOWN, BUT TO HURRY UP WITH IT!

DARN IT! GUZZ SHOULDA HIRED A TREE SURGEON FOR THIS OPERATION! I DON'T KNOW WHETHER T' GIVE IT ETHER OR A LOCAL ANESTHETIC!

WELL, THERE'S NO DOUBT, SAM, BUT WHAT YOU'RE GETTING UP IN THIS WORLD!

OH, THIS IS NOT SO HARD - IT'S ALL SOFT WOOD! THIS IS TH' LAST BRANCH I GOTTA SAW OFF!

I'M GONNA HAVE A HOT TIME MAKIN' A BONFIRE WITH THIS JUNK! THEN THIS JOB IS DONE AS FAR AS SAM HOWDY'S CONCERNED!

GEE! HERE COMES GUZZ, HOT UNDER TH' COLLAR ABOUT SOME-THIN' OR OTHER!

I TOLD YA DISTINCTLY T' TAKE TH' TREE DOWN AN' CLEAN UP, DIDN'T I?

I KNOW YA DID!

WELL THEN WHAT'N HECK ARE YA STANDIN' AROUND HERE WAITIN' FOR?

THE EXPRESS-MAN—

TO COME AN' TAKE THE TRUNK!

10/23 Small

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WHITEAWAYS FOR STANDARD VALUES

REDS ON FRENCH WARSHIPS.

3,000 COMMUNISTS ABOARD SAYS REPORT.

A GRIM WARNING.

Revelations of a sensational character concerning the organising and development of Communist propaganda in the French navy are made by M. Francois Coty, editor of the *Figaro*, in the course of an important article in his newspaper.

The recent mutiny in the naval prison of Toulon, and the incidents which took place almost at the same time on board the cruiser Ernest Renan, are the first symptoms of the revolutionary activity of the Communist conspiracy in the French navy.

Some four years ago, says M. Coty, "Bolshevik propaganda in the navy was almost non-existent, but since Andre Marty, the chief of the Black Sea mutineers, has been pardoned, and has entered the French Parliament, the organisation of Communist propaganda in all the branches of the navy, in which the former rebel takes a leading part, has been most active."

According to the editor of the *Figaro*, "there are now over 3,000 Communist sailors and stokers on board the vessels of the French navy, who are grouped on some 60 'cellules' (a "cellule," or "cell," is the name given to a group of Communist propagandists in a factory or Government department).

"The heads of the organisation are (according to M. Coty) the leaders of an association called 'The Fraternal Union of Sailors and Former Sailors,' whose brain is the Deputy Andre Marty.

"The propagandists of the cellules specially on board ships find a splendid field for their action among young recruits, for whom the strict discipline and hard work are not an agreeable experience."

M. Coty gives the names of 46 war vessels on each of which a Communist cellule is at work.

Their members smuggle on board Communist pamphlets specially prepared for the sailors.

Communist cellules also exist, says M. Coty, in the various naval barracks, notably at Cherbourg, in the naval aviation centre at Rochefort, in the arsenal of Sidi-Abdallah in Tunis, and even in the naval hospitals of Lorient, Toulon and Tunis.

"If the naval authorities," concluded M. Coty, "continue to shut their eyes when they notice symptoms of revolutionary propaganda in the navy ranks, and if the Government does not at once take very severe measures against the leaders and organisers of the propaganda, the day will soon come when French war vessels will turn their guns towards the shores they have to defend."

EMPTY PEWS.

(Continued from Page 9.)

The Vice of Insipidity.

Our Lord, too, most certainly valued the enthusiasm of the adventurous, of whom He welcomed several to His little company. His Spirit is directly opposed to the characteristic vice of modern Christianity—insipidity. He was never afraid of shocking. Perhaps Jesus Christ wished to shock because He knew that only so could He raise vital issues and make men think.

To reduce Christianity to the level of a religion of mere good form is to secularise it and to take from it both its appeal and its power. At the moment the witness of the Churches is eminently undistinguished, and as a consequence it is not so much disliked as discounted.

No one expects professing Christians to be different from other people. They are no doubt excellent people in their way, but they are just like everything else. They accept the same standards, values, and ideals. The are ready to support their country, right or wrong—indeed, a Churchman would be thought a dangerous person who said in a moment of national crisis that he was first a Christian and only after that an Englishman. The are ready to kill members of other nations if the Government of the day bids them do so. It is true that they think civil war a terrible thing, but if all men are brethren is there in the mind of Christ a distinction between an Englishman killing an Englishman and an Englishman killing a Chinaman?

And there is no getting away from the fact that a vast number of our social ills are permitted solely because professing Christians have never yet placed the horror of them on their conscience. There are certain injustices in our social fabric which could be remedied, within a short space of time if Christians definitely said "these things shall not be."

I think that one of the reasons why the churches are as empty as they are is because the people are perfectly aware that the clergy and church officials who are responsible for them do not really care for those committed to their charge—they love their "soul;" they do not love them. There is no human touch. Our Lord was never so divine or so appealing as when He was human.

I want a disturbance. I want almost anything rather than an unchallenged continuation of these smothered institutional versions of the fire which Jesus Christ came to cast upon the earth. I confess that if England definitely said that she could not face Christianity, I should feel that there was no hope, though I know Christ's religion would be born again in the hearts of men and women elsewhere.

WIDOW MARRIES A LONELY MAN.

LIFE ON ISLAND WITH POST TWICE AYEAR.

"Married 8/10/27. Hunter." This cryptic radiogram, sent from Port Stanley, in the Falkland Islands, to Mr. L. S. Montgomery, bookseller and shipping agent, of High-street, Dumfries, is the key to a delightful romance.

It announces that Mr. Robert Hunter, of Sea Lion Island, has married Mrs. Lizzie Murdoch, a widow, formerly of Dumfries, who was chosen from the host of applicants who responded to Mr. Hunter's advertisement for a wife.

Mr. Hunter wrote and asked Mr. Montgomery to find him a wife and sent £50 for her passage, as a proof of good faith.

Photograph Sent.

"This island is very lonely at first," added Mr. Hunter, "but she will get used to it."

A notice was put in the local Press and in Mr. Montgomery's shop window.

Mrs. Murdoch was put in touch with Mr. Hunter, letters and photographs were exchanged, and an agreement reached.

The courtship was prolonged by the fact that Mr. Hunter only gets his letters about twice a year.

Arrangements were completed in July, and Mrs. Murdoch sailed for the Falkland Islands, about 300 miles from the southernmost part of South America.

Perhaps the thing that worries me most is that I find those leaders of Christianity who some years ago I knew to be as fully conscious of the situation as they are more fully equipped to deal with it than I am, tamed out of recognition, not only by high office, but by the cares and pettinesses with which their ecclesiastical life is surrounded. I find them now flying about from Committee to Committee, so intent on little matters of domestic concern and the defence of a parochial area of religion that I am sometimes forced to wonder whether in their heart of hearts they are not attempting to drown their conscience, which bids them forget denominational loyalties and concentrate on the far vaster issues which confront the very existence of Christianity. Why are these able and good people not more explicitly revolutionary and discontented?

The question is not whether men and women are going to join this or that Church, nor in what form this or that denomination is to survive; but whether Christianity is to live as a dynamic force for the salvation of the world, or merely to exist as a quiet and moderating influence.

PREHISTORIC FLINT MINES.

THREATENED BY TREES OF GREAT NEW FOREST.

NOTABLE DISCOVERIES.

One of the most important and interesting prehistoric sites in England is in danger of being virtually destroyed unless a "Pull baker, pull devil" comedy between two Government Departments can be amicably settled.

The trouble concerns Grimes Graves, near Thetford, Norfolk, which consists of 250 flint mines, where, over 3,000 years ago, Neolithic man quarried material for his hunting, fighting and domestic weapons.

In the neighbourhood are pit dwellings of these very early Britons.

Three years ago the site was scheduled as an ancient monument.

Then the Forestry Commissioners stepped in. Under their great scheme for turning Britain's waste lands into woodland they are planting around Thetford a forest of 30,000 acres, which will out-rival even the New Forest, and part of the land acquired for this purpose includes Grimes Graves.

And so arises the quaint situation of a site that has been specially marked for protection by one Government Department (the Office of Works), being ravaged in the archaeological sense by another Government Department, the Forestry Commission.

Question In Parliament.

An archaeologist who is in the forefront of the fight to preserve the site said to a press representative:

"At Grimes Graves are actual flint mines worked by prehistoric man at a very early period, and, fortunately, they have remained intact ever since.

"Not only do they show the methods of the prehistoric miners, but further evidence is available from the miner's dwellings in the immediate neighbourhood.

Supporters of the protest are to have the matter raised in Parliament.

This new forest which is coming into being in East Anglia will eventually stretch 16 miles across Norfolk and Suffolk, and will ultimately establish a flourishing timber business on these derelict lands and waste spaces.

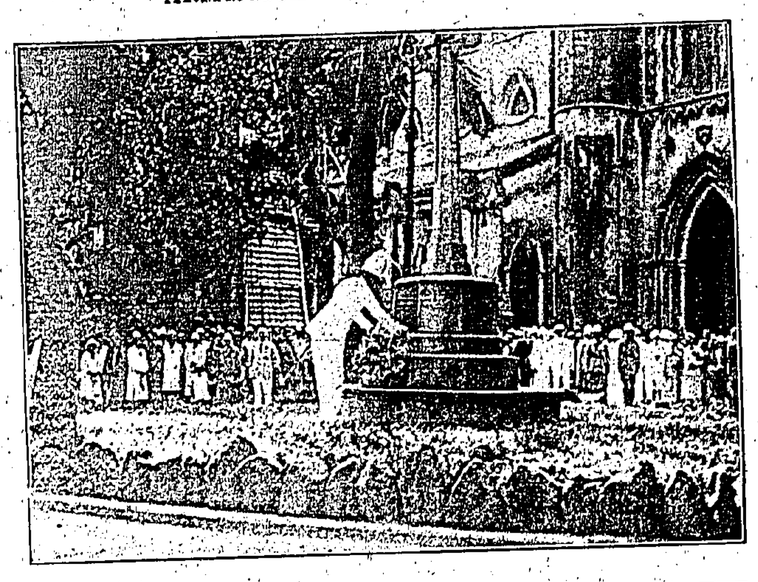
Implements used by Neolithic man, discovered in the mines, include:—

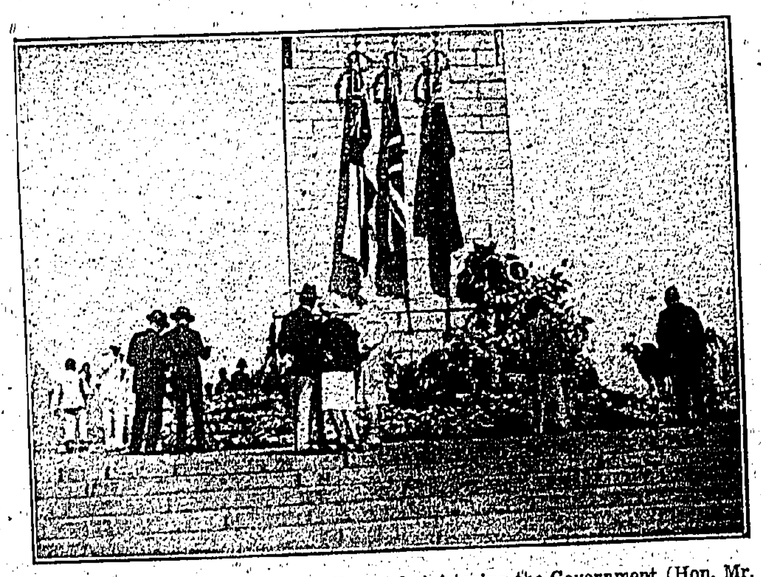
A polished hatchet.
Deer's antlers used as picks.
Bone tools used for flaking the flint,
A bone awl,
Hollowed blocks of chalk used as lamps to light up the dark galleries.

On one of the picks were the clearly marked fingerprints of the miner who had wielded it 3,000 years ago.

A few miles from Grimes Graves is Brandon, famous for its centuries-old flint knapping industry, which in the old days sent flint chips for flintlock guns and pistols all over the world.

ARMISTICE DAY OBSERVANCES.





Top picture shows H.E. the Officer Administering the Government (Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn) laying a wreath on the memorial outside the Cathedral on Armistice Day.

Bottom picture shows how the base of the Cenotaph was smothered with floral tributes on Armistice Day. (Photos: Welcome Studio).

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"We have presented it to the Victoria and Albert Museum where it will soon be on permanent exhibition. It is now being suitably framed at the Museum.

"Although I have not been able to obtain any definite history of the carpet, it was most probably made in a royal factory in India, say Delhi or Lahore. It may have been a birthday present for some Indian royal infant.

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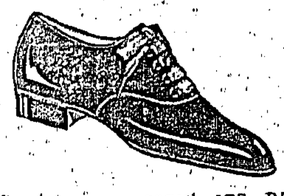

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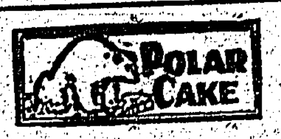

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U. S. FOOTBALL RESULTS.

SATURDAY'S GAMES.

New York, Nov. 12.

Before a crowd of 76,000 football fans, Army triumphed to-day over the traditionally famed Notre Dame gridiron warriors. The score was 18 to 0.

The Army outplayed their opponents and were on the offensive during the greater portion of the game, but the contest ended with the West Pointers decidedly on the offensive, as the result of an effective eleventh hour forward passing attack launched by the Irishmen. The final whistle found the ball on Army's five yard line.

85 Yard Run.

Showing a brilliant offensive in two quarters, Michigan defeated Navy, 27 to 12, before 87,000 fans, the largest crowd in local football history. Although ineffective at other times, Navy bothered Michigan in the first and third periods, making a touchdown in each of these quarters. The first Navy score was a hair raiser. Lloyd, Middle left half, took the ball on the second play and dashed 85 yards to a touchdown. Michigan scoring early, pushing over two touchdowns in the first quarter.

In as thrilling a game ever played by the two rivals, Yale won over Princeton, 14 to 6, at New Haven. Entering the fourth quarter scoreless, Eli staged a sensational rally which led to two touchdowns and the conversion of both. The battle was witnessed by a crowd of 76,000.

Harvard, playing at Cambridge, maintained its record of non-defeats this year by winning over Brown, 18 to 6. The Crimson played a smart game, taking advantage of all breaks.

Pittsburgh turned back the Nebraska Corphuskers, 21 to 13, in their important inter-sectional contest. The game, played before 30,000, was featured by sensational runs of 94 and 71 yard for touchdowns by Gibby Welch, Pittsburg's All-American candidate.

Continuing its march toward the Western Conference championship, Illinois defeated Chicago, 15 to 6, at Champaign, Ill., before a crowd of 50,000. Frank Walker, a Urbana boy who replaced Douglas Mills at left half, scored both of Illinois' touchdowns. Illinois gained two more points as a result of a safety scored by Anderson in the first period. Libby scored for Chicago in the fourth period.

Iowa Wins One.

Iowa broke its string of Western Conference defeats by springing a surprise victory over Wisconsin. The score was 16 to 0. Forty thousand saw the game.

On the Pacific Coast, Stanford, playing on its home field, went down to a startling 13 to 6 defeat before little Santa Clara University. Stanford entered the game expecting an easy victory, only to to run up against the unbeatable combination of Guido Simoni's kicking and Captain Bud Cummings' sensational forward passing and catching.

At Bereley, Washington defeated its traditional rival, California, 6 to 0. Forty thousand attended the game. The contest was played on an extremely muddy field. The Huskies' winning touchdown was scored in the second period.

Colorado, invading the orange belt for the first time, was overwhelmed, 46 to 7, by the University of Southern California. The little school put up a game fight, but against the powerful Trojan machine was able to cross the U. S. C. goal line only once.

Full Results.

Army 18, Notre Dame 0.
Michigan 27, Navy 12.
Yale 14, Princeton 6.
Harvard 18, Brown 6.
Santa Clara 13, Stanford 6.
U. Southern California 46, Colorado 7.
Washington 6, California 0.
Pittsburgh 21, Nebraska 13.
Pennsylvania 27, Columbia 0.
Iowa 16, Wisconsin 0.
Indiana 18, Northwestern 7.
Oklahoma 26, Kansas 7.
Syracuse 13, Colgate 13.
Minnesota 27, Drake 6.
Dartmouth 53, Cornell 7.
Illinois 15, Chicago 6.
Utah 20, Brigham Young 0.
Calif. Southern Branch 13, Caltech 0.
Creighton 14, South Dakota State 0.
Montana 0, Gonzaga 0.
Pennsylvania State 13, New York 13.
Georgia School of Tech. 23, Louisiana State 0.
Washington (St. Louis) 18, Grinnell 7.
George Town 47, Boston College 0.
Niagara 13, Bonaventure 8.
Rutgers 12, Lehgh University 6.
Ohio State 61, Denison 6.
Washington and Jefferson 19, Bucknell 25.
Miami (Ohio) 7, Dayton 6.
Ohio 7, Cincinnati 7.
Georgia 32, Clemson College 0.
Columbia 0, St. Thomas 0.
Iowa State 6, Missouri 13.
Montana State 6, Wyoming 0.
Oregon State College 21, Oregon 7.
Denver 13, Utah Aggies 0.
Texas 41, Kansas Aggies 7.
Michigan State 20, Adrian 6.
Fordham 26, Providence College 19.

LAWN TENNIS.

THE VISIT OF VINCENT RICHARDS.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn, with Mrs. Southorn will be present at the tennis exhibition to be given by Vincent Richards and the local champions on Tuesday. Accommodation will probably be reserved for the Government House party on the balcony of the Chinese Recreation Club pavilion, which commands an excellent view of the courts.

Booking is proceeding gratifyingly. The customary temporary seating galleries are being erected around the court, so arranged that each spectator will have a comfortable view. There will be accommodation for 510, and half the seats have already been booked. The plan is open at Sinceres and the Cafe Regent. C. R. C. members pay the same price as the public.

As already announced, Mr. Richards will play Mr. Gordon Lum and Mr. S. A. Rumjahn. Mr. Lum arrives today by the President Polk. If Mr. Richards is willing, a doubles match will also be played, in which Mr. Honda, ex-champion of Hongkong, will be included.

A COMMEMORATION OF DURER.

FESTIVAL AT NUREMBERG.

In 1928 all Germany will celebrate the death of Albrecht Durer, her greatest painter during the Middle Ages. Nuremberg, the city where the master spent the greater part of his life and where he was buried, has coined an expressive and comprehensive name by which to describe these commemorations, viz.: "The Durer Year 1928." In the course of the year a number of celebrations will be held there, and these will centre around the Grand Exhibition of Original Works by Albrecht Durer.

The exhibits will include all paintings, water-colour paintings, original drawings, woodcuts, etc. These will be accommodated and displayed on the promise of the Germanic National Museum. The exhibition proper will last from April 8th to some time in June, but will continue in a modified form until the autumn. Numerous German and foreign galleries have promised to place their treasures at the disposal of the exhibition committee, so that there is every probability of the forthcoming exhibition being the largest of its kind that has ever been held.

PEER AND SISTER AS CANDIDATES.

TO CONTEST LABOUR SEATS IN SHOREDITCH.

Lord Alington and his sister, the Hon. Lois Sturt, have been adopted by the Shoreditch Conservative Association as prospective candidates for Shoreditch Division for the next L. C. C. elections in March.

The division at present is represented by two Labour members, who won the seats from the Municipal Reformers at the last election.

Lord Alington, who owns a good deal of property in the division, is 31 years old and a bachelor. During the war he served in the R. A. F.

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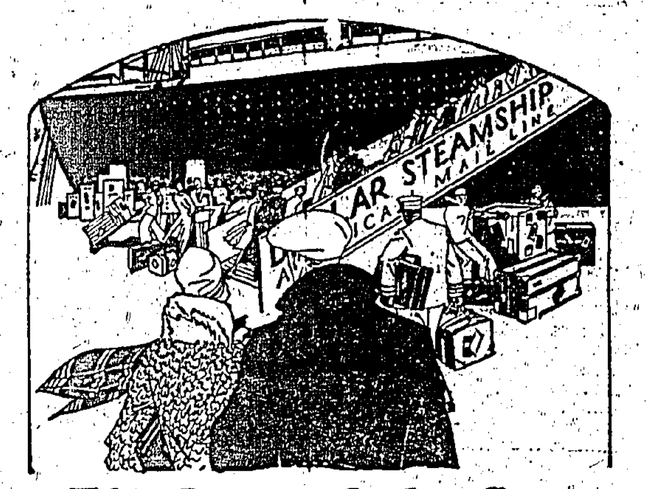

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SHANGHAI GOLF.

BLINKO AND MALCOLM ENTER THE FINAL.

The semi-final round of the championship of the Shanghai Golf Club took place at Kiangwan last Sunday, when matches were played off between H. R. Malcolm and D. Lock and between A. R. Blinko and J. F. Pilcher. The result of these was a win for Malcolm over Lock by 3 and 2, while a closely contested game between the other pair resulted in Blinko winning at the 19th hole.

On account of the wind and the sun-dried state of the course, good golf was not an easy matter. Depending on the direction of one's putt, the wind made matters decidedly difficult on the greens, and added to this, the grass was very wiry.

In the case of Malcolm and Lock, the latter seemed to experience little difficulty at the outset when it came to using his putter, and as a result he found himself one up at the 10th hole. Unfortunately for his chances of entering the final he did not keep up this form, and two missed putts in the last half dozen holes made a big difference. Malcolm at this stage was making no mistakes, and although down in the initial stages of the game, he made certain of a win in the last nine holes. Out in 39, he took approximately 36 coming home, while Lock was perhaps three strokes more. Malcolm won by 3 and 2.

Blinko's Win at the 19th.

Both Pilcher and Blinko were in good form, and it was realized that it was anybody's match up to the very last hole played. For one thing Blinko succeeded in keeping his drives straight, and the consequence was that the two were playing stroke for stroke until it came to the green. Here, however, Blinko had the advantage. Pilcher seemed always to put a slight hook on his putt, and so while showing what seemed likely to be deadly accuracy from distances such as three yards, he was missing by a bare half inch. And it proved to be a costly half inch.

All square at the turn, Blinko was two up at the 14th, and then stood dormie one. Then Pilcher squared the match at the 18th, necessitating its being carried on. At the 19th Pilcher put his drive out of bounds, but even so he nearly secured half, his ball just lipping the hole. It failed to go down, and Blinko entered the final.

PING PONG.

THE LATEST LEAGUE POSITIONS.

With the League nearing completion, this week's matches did not arouse great interest. The Hop Ying Club of Kowloon have fought their way to third place, having defeated both St. Peter's and the Tutorial Institute. The latest positions in the League are as follows:

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Chinese Athletic	10	10	0	0	20
Chinese Y.M.C.A.	9	8	0	1	16
Hop Ying Club	10	7	3	0	14
South China A. A.	9	6	3	0	12
University	10	6	3	1	13
Tutorial	10	4	5	1	9
St. Peter's	9	4	5	0	8
Catholic Y.M.S.	9	3	6	0	6
St. Louis	8	2	6	0	4

A 12-year-old Portland boy, Randolph Hitchcock, was saved from death in a 40 ft. stone quarry at Portland, by his pet goat. He was leading the animal on a 12-yard tether when the ground gave way near the edge of the quarry and he fell over. Fortunately the rope was twisted round his wrist: the goat though thrown on its side by the unexpected pull, regained its feet, and held the boy suspended in midair. Hitchcock was able to scramble on to a narrow ledge, on which he clung until rescued by his brother and a friend. He broke a collar-bone and cut his leg. Had the goat not been strong enough to take his weight, Hitchcock would have fallen on to the sharp rocks 10 ft. below.

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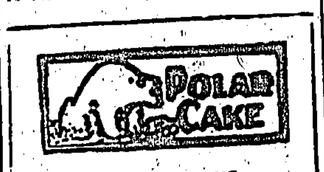

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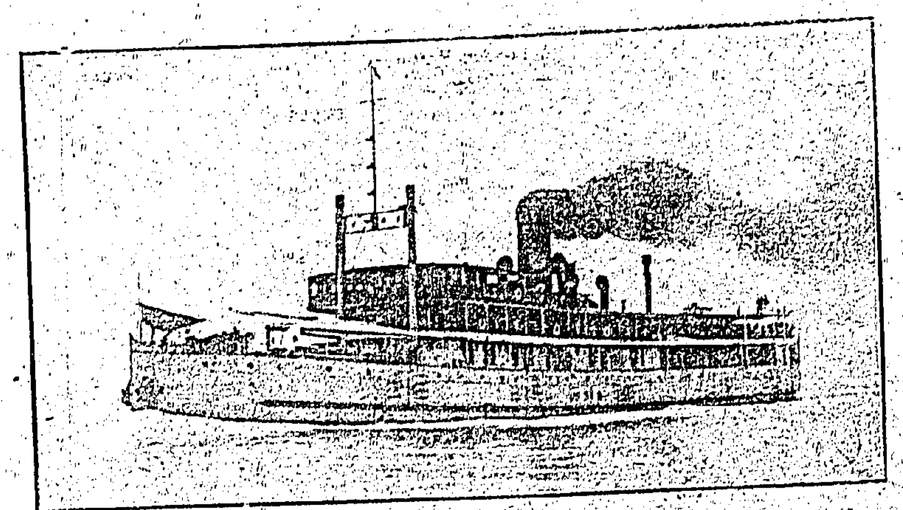

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KALYAN	9,144	13th Dec.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yoko
DEVANHA	8,155	24th Dec.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yoko
ARAFURA	6,000	3 Jan. 1928.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yoko
MALWA	10,986	7th Jan.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yoko
KHYBER	9,114	21th Jan.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yoko
KHIVA	9,135	28th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
MACEDONIA	11,120	4th Feb.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yoko
TANDA	6,656	7th Feb.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yoko
KASHMIR	8,985	18th Feb.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yoko
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KASHGAR	9,005	13th Apr.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yoko
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DAY BY DAY.

The B. I. Steamer Tilawa left Singapore on Wednesday and is due here on Tuesday morning.

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Mr. Diamond, of the Hongkong Hotel, reported to the police that sometime during the 16th and 18th someone stole from his residence No. 4, Duddell Street, money and jewellery to the value of $59.

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A stone breaker was walking along the gangway of H.M.S. Wivern, at the Kowloon Docks, yesterday and fell, causing injuries to his head and body. He was taken to Hospital for treatment.

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The lecture at the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders on "Gas: Its Distribution and Uses," which was to have been given by Mr. A. Hevey last night, was unavoidably postponed.

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The *Manila Bulletin* says the China Underwriters, Ltd., an Insurance company of Hongkong, seeks incorporation with the Bureau of Commerce and Industry. The papers of the corporation were filed with the Bureau by Warner, Barnes and Company, Ltd.

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This morning's Harbour Office reports gave 18 arrivals and 23 departures, the exodus of the past few days reducing the number of vessels in harbour to 53, of which 15 were British. Tonnage was comparatively low, while cargoes showed no increase, the average of inward registries being less than 500 tons, and there being only eight through freights in the day's return.

A TEA MERCHANT KIDNAPPED.

HELD FOR HUGE RANSOM IN SHANGHAI.

Two Chinese were arrested in Frenchtown on November 11, in connexion with the kidnapping of a rich Chinese tea merchant at Shanghai, following information as to the whereabouts of the gangsters divulged to members of the French police force by informants.

Slipping through a Chinese alleyway, without being noticed by the miscreants, French detectives and members of the police, gained entrance into the house, where the captive was being held in custody, by smashing a door. Armed with a warrant of arrest issued by the French Mixed Court, the police raided the premises, as a result of which three men were found in a secret chamber. Two of the trio, being kidnappers on guard, were disarmed by the Police, and the third, the captive, was released.

The French police are still investigating the matter, and it is thought more light will be thrown on this mystery.

The captive, whose name the police refuse to disclose, was kidnapped some time in October as he was *en route* to Shanghai from his native city in Kiangsi. He was held up for a huge sum.

FIRES AND PANIC IN VILLAGE.

INHABITANTS FLEE WITH THEIR FURNITURE.

MYSTERY OF TWO WOMEN.

Two women have been arrested in Cumont, near Bergerac, Dordogne, on suspicion of having set fire to a dozen houses and farm buildings, says a Paris message.

The inhabitants, since this series of fires began ten days ago, had been living in a state of terror.

Cumont is a picturesque vilage of 120 inhabitants situated on a hill.

One evening a fire broke out at a farm and the building was destroyed.

Villagers thought the disaster was due to an accident, but last Wednesday two more houses were set on fire.

Four farm buildings were burnt to ashes the following night, all being some distance from one another.

The mayor called upon the gendarmes, who opened an inquiry and arrested a young farm labourer who had recently been dismissed by his employer.

Mystery Deepens.

The villagers then thought they had nothing more to fear. But on Friday morning they awoke to see another house on fire.

This caused a real panic; some inhabitants, whose houses were quite safe so far, began to remove their furniture to a neighbouring village.

Farmers, rifles in hand, guarded their farms during the night; others joined the gendarmes in a search for the criminals.

While all the villagers were thus up and out and about, on the following night three more fires broke out in stables and barns in three different farms.

Two women, who had been noticed wandering near some of the houses just before they were on fire, were arrested on Saturday.

They protested their innocence.

As it happens, there have been no more fires at Cumont since the two women have been under lock and key.

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

The following are the replies to to-day's questions:—

1. Famous Greek philosopher, 535-475 B.C., who wrote numerous works on religion and politics. 2. A decree of divorce that becomes absolute unless cause be shown to the contrary. 3. At Sudbury, Suffold, in 1727. 4. An Australian term for a newcomer gaining experience in the bush. 5. (1) Ceylon; (2) Tasmania; (3) Isle of Man. 6. From "Fasces," a bundle of rods with an axe in the middle borne before the ancient principal magistrates of Rome. 7. A strap attached to the bit of a horse to keep his head down. 8. A department in a post office where letters so addressed may be called for. 9. Correct, exact. From Cocker, a celebrated mathematician. 10. The rocks at the entrance to the Straits of Gibraltar. 11. A waiting-room close to the stage of a theatre, from the original colour, green, an antidote to stage glare. 12. (a) Word for word; (b) Let it stand; (c) Hasten slowly.

THEFT FROM CHURCH.

ARTICLES LATER PAWNED.

Two carpets and two brass candle stick holders were reported stolen from St. Francis Church yesterday, and, as the results of enquiries made by the police, the articles were later recovered from a pawn shop, the man who had pledged the stolen property being arrested.

When brought before Mr. R. E. Lindsell on a charge of larceny, the man was sentenced to four weeks' hard labour. It was stated that the side door of the church had been left open, giving the man easy access to the church.

SHANGHAI'S TALE OF CRIME.

BATTLE WITH ROBBERS.

The eastern districts of Shanghai were the scene of several crimes of violence on Monday evening, in which one man was murdered and a robber shot. The police of Yangtszepoo and Wayside responded at once, but were unsuccessful in apprehending any one connected with the affairs.

A Chinese detective, employed by the Shanghai Cotton Mills, at their No. 1 mill, was murdered in cold blood by unknown assailants about 5.30 p.m. He had concluded his day's work, and, according to official accounts, was on his way home, when two men, both armed, stepped from the place where they were waiting his arrival on Funing Road, and without a word of warning, shot him dead. The officer had been known for his loyalty to the cause of labour, and had defied the efforts of the defunct General Labour Union to intimidate him. The police believe that agitators, in the employ of Reds, shot him.

An armed battle occurred in the Wayside district between the police and a gang of six armed robbers, of whom four, according to the victims at 222 Chaoufoong Road, carried pistols. The robbers had taken $24 and were making off for Chapei, when the constables on duty in the vicinity, became aware of their presence. In the ensuing engagement the police fired six shots and the robbers two. The police are convinced that, although all escaped, that one was wonded, because of blood stains on the paving.

Twenty minutes later four robbers obtained $1,400 from the house at 75 Pingliang Road. Three or four minor robberies complete the evening's toll of crime within the Settlement.

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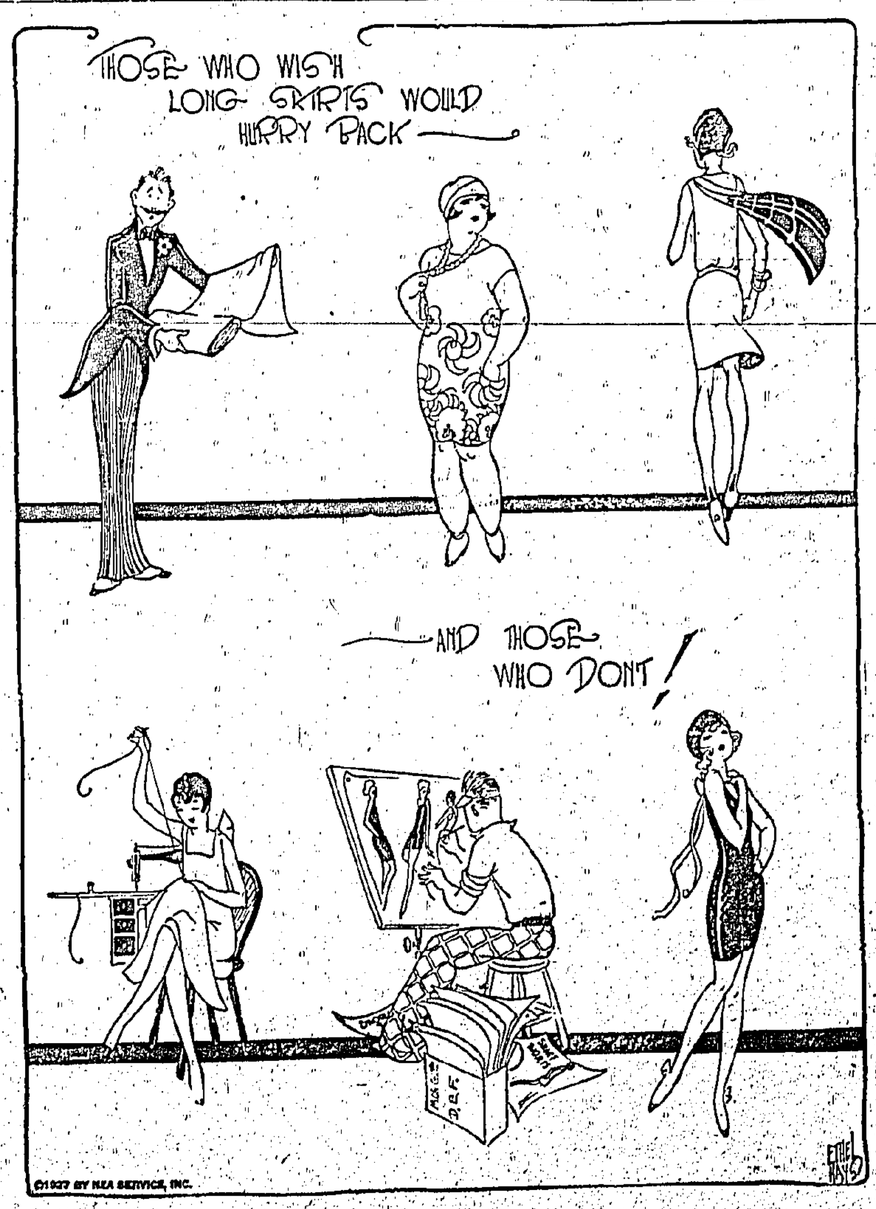

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